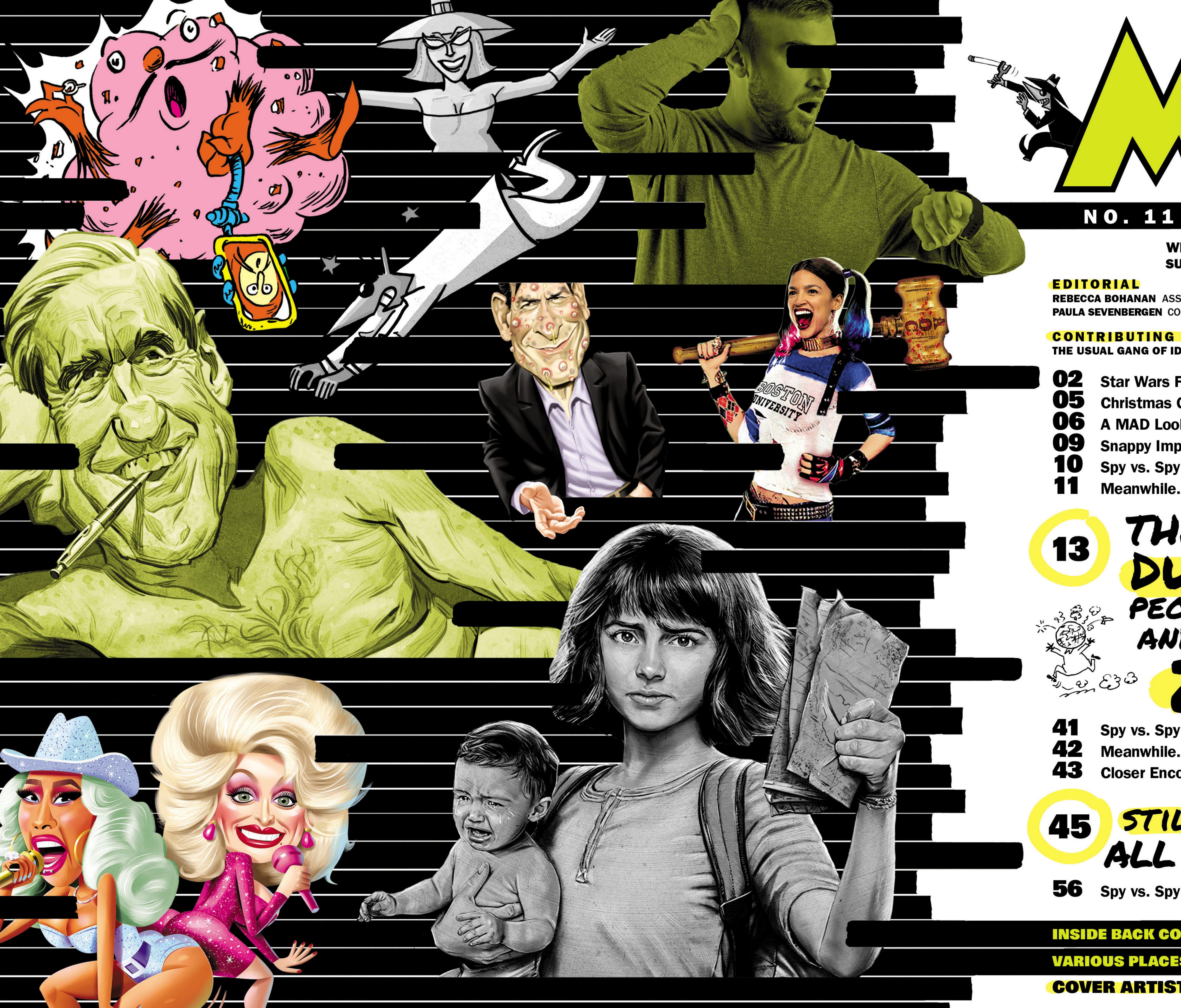
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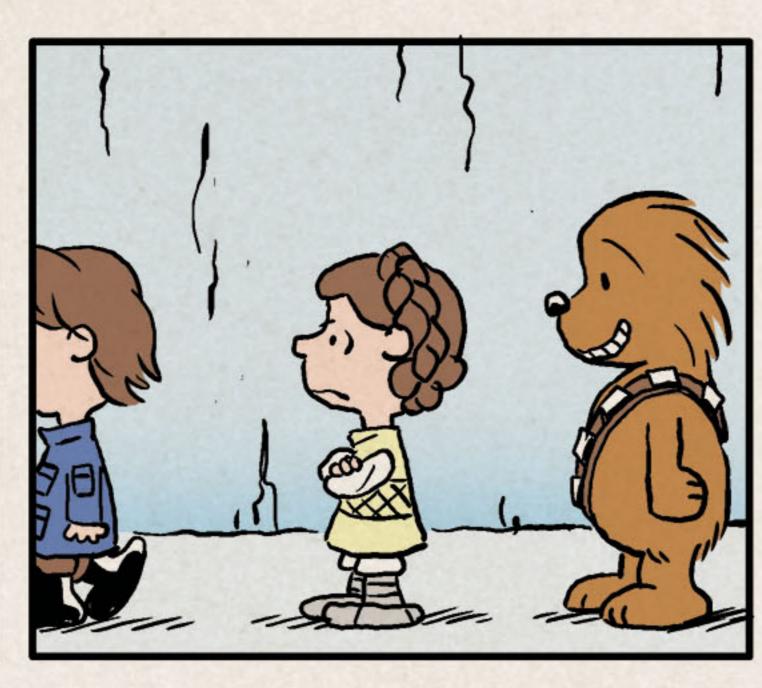
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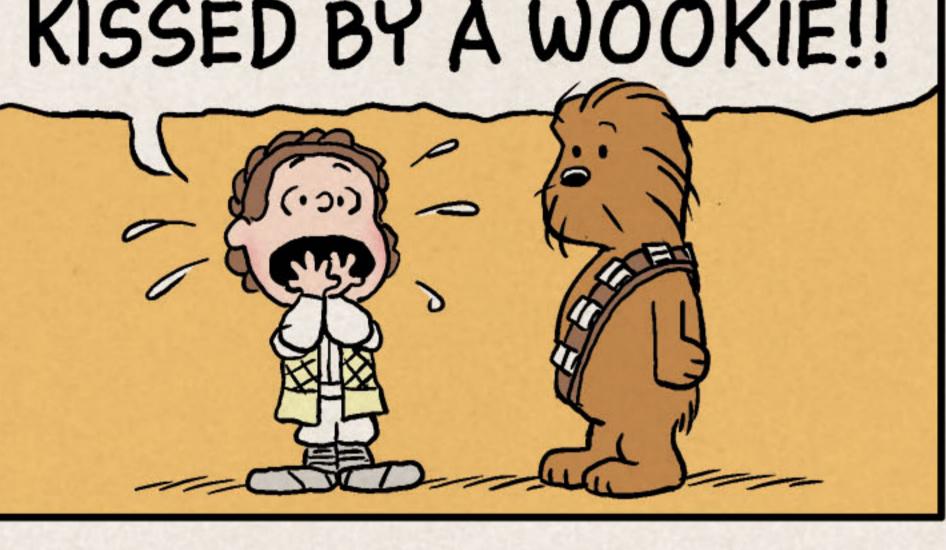










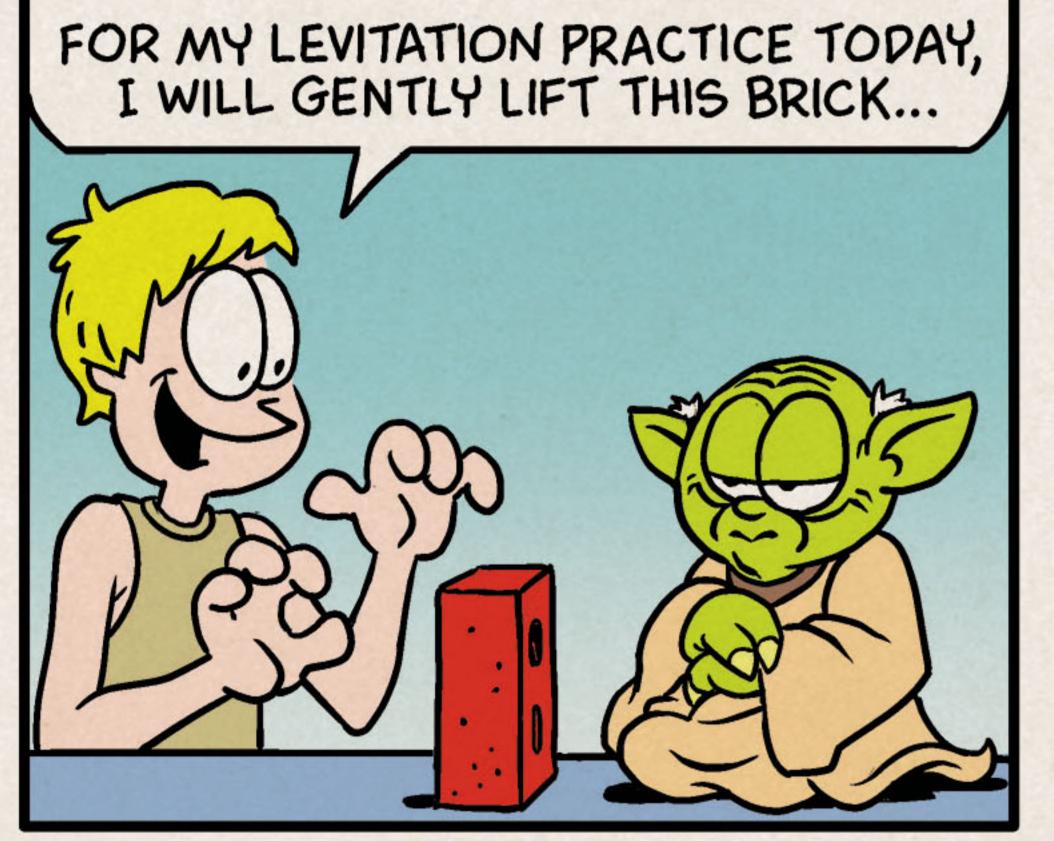




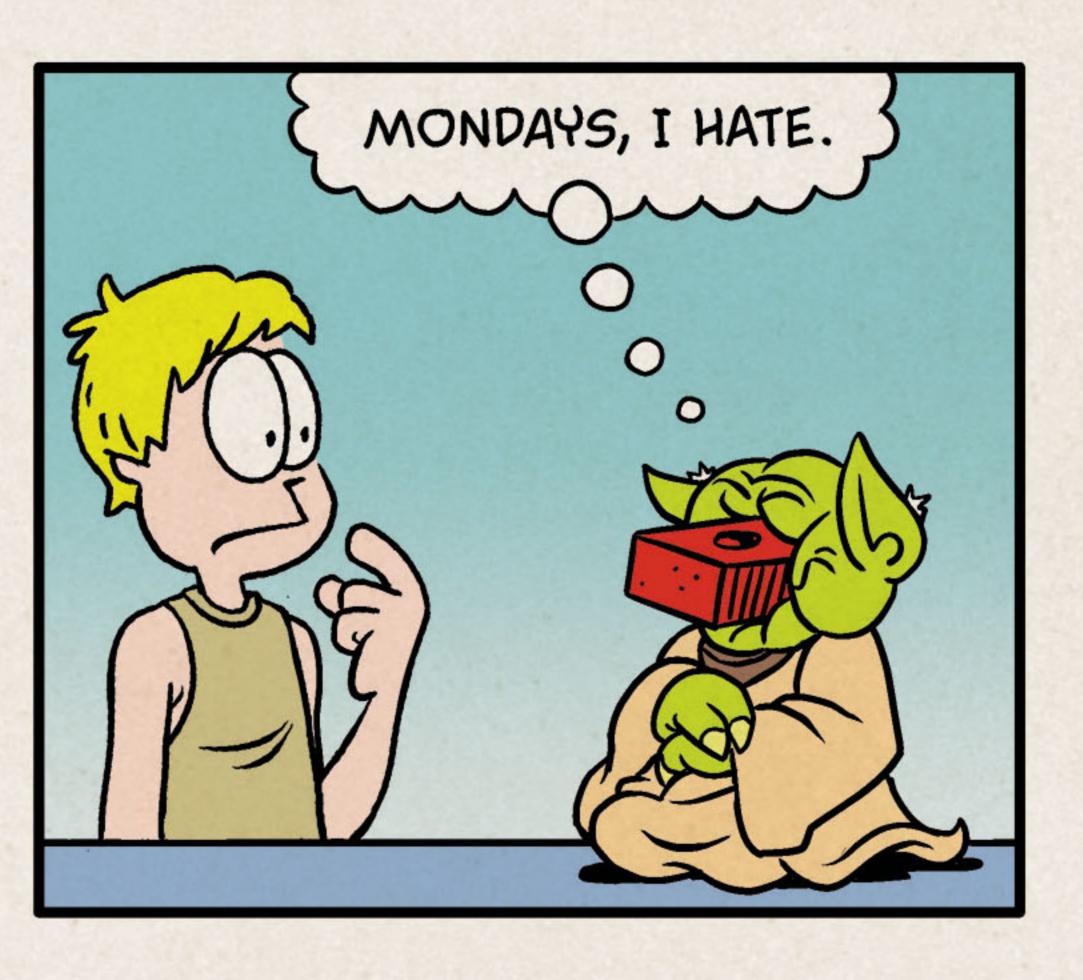




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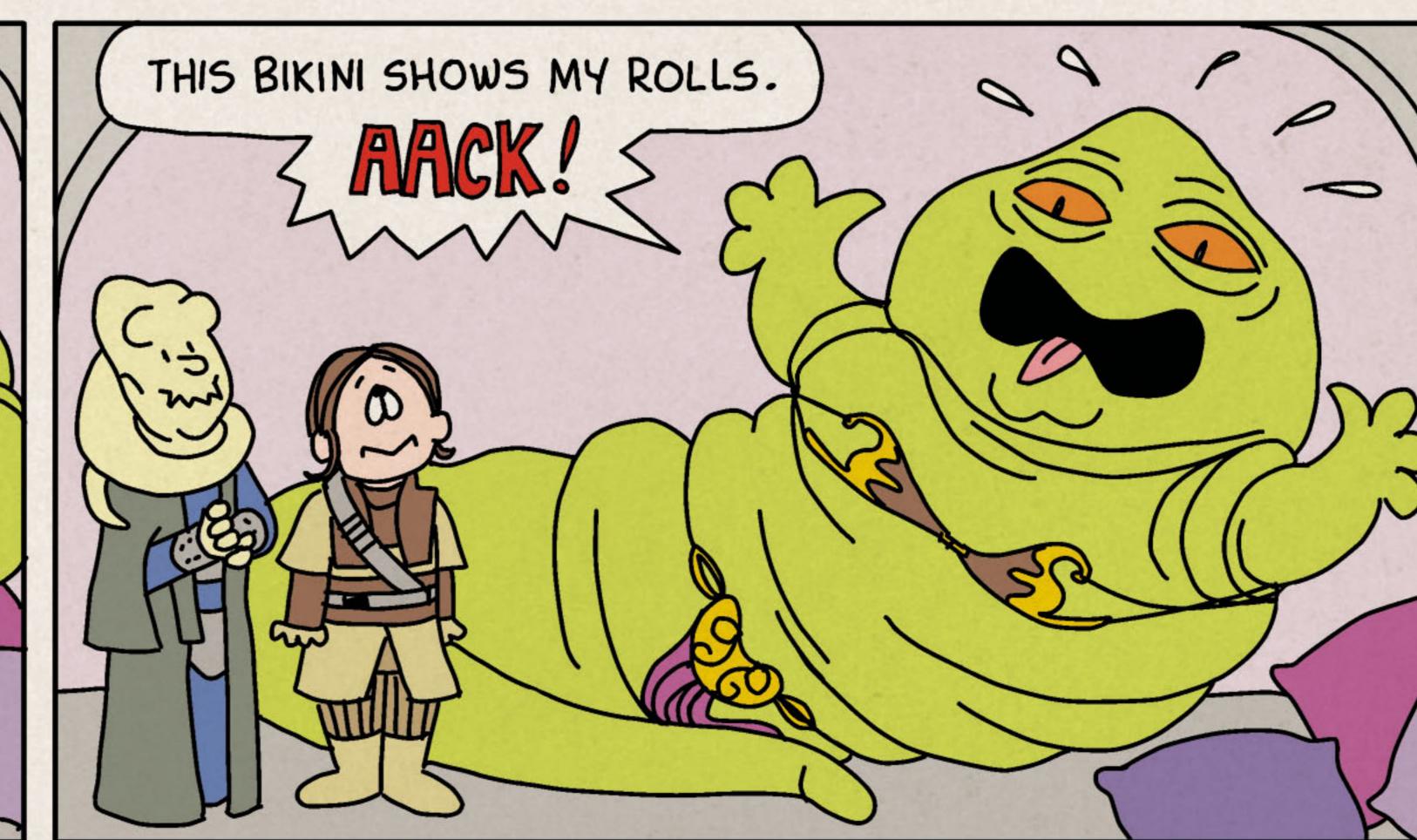






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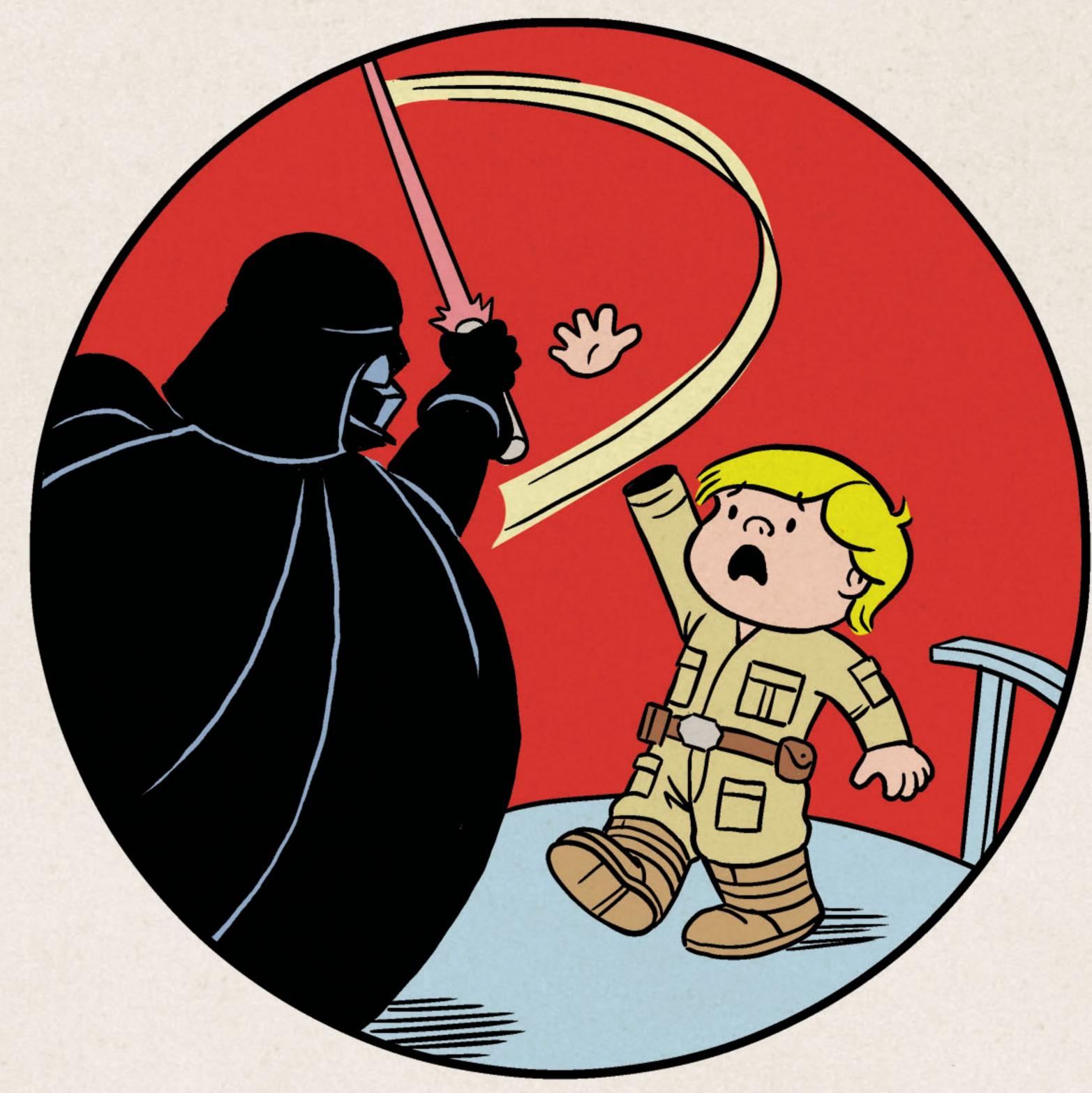


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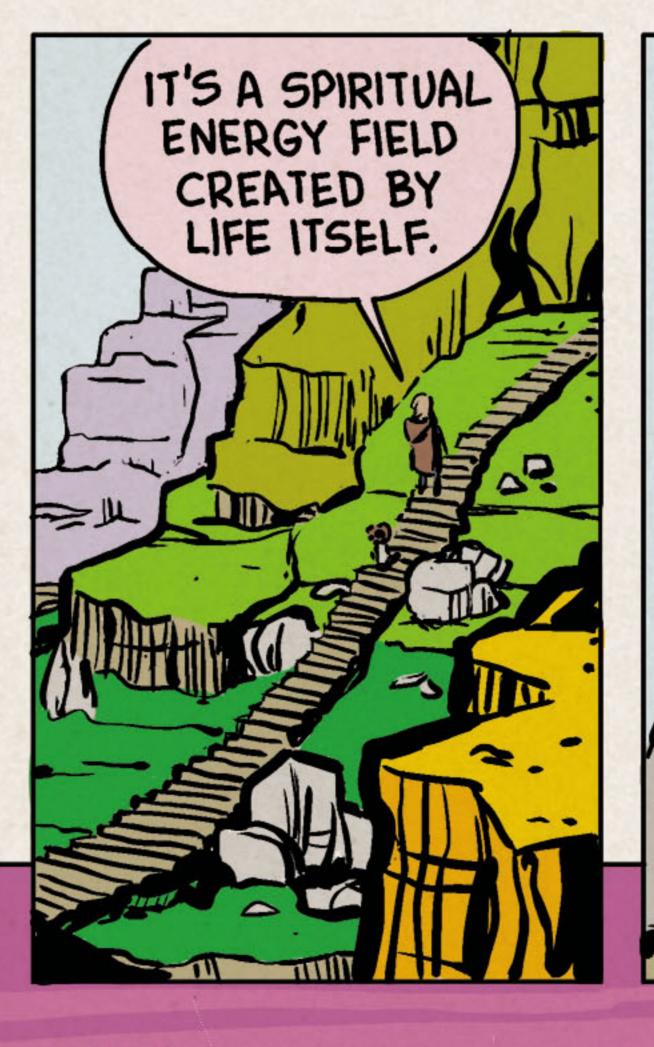
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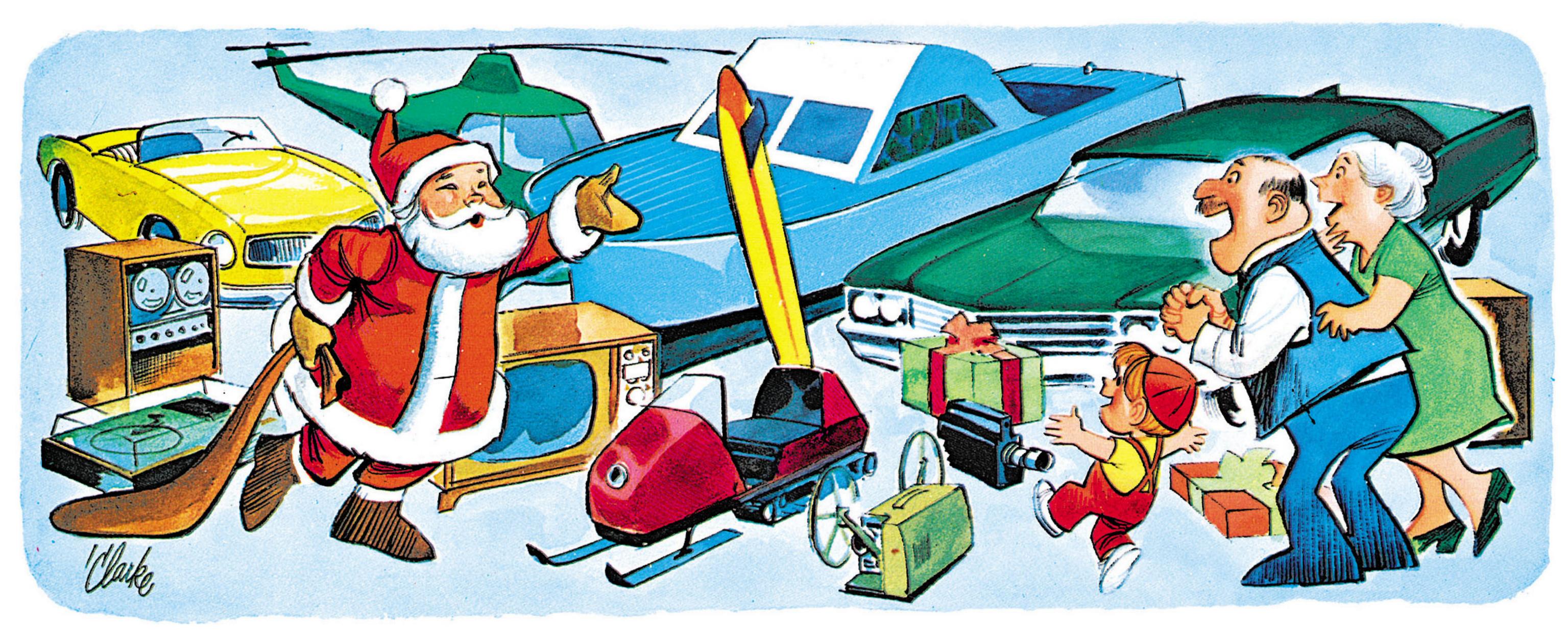


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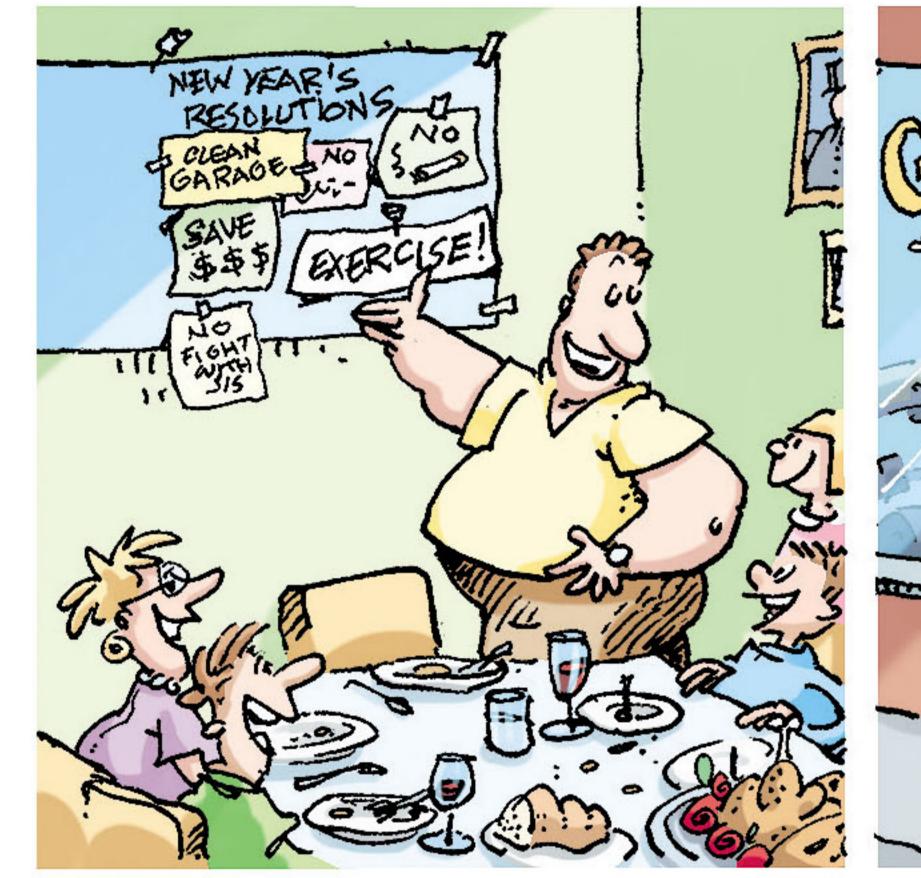














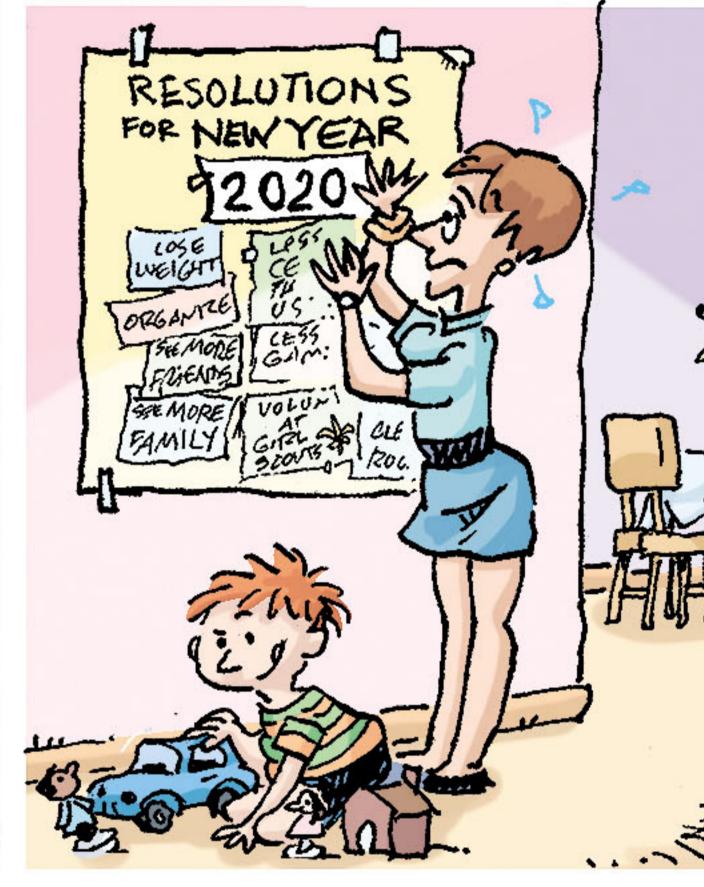


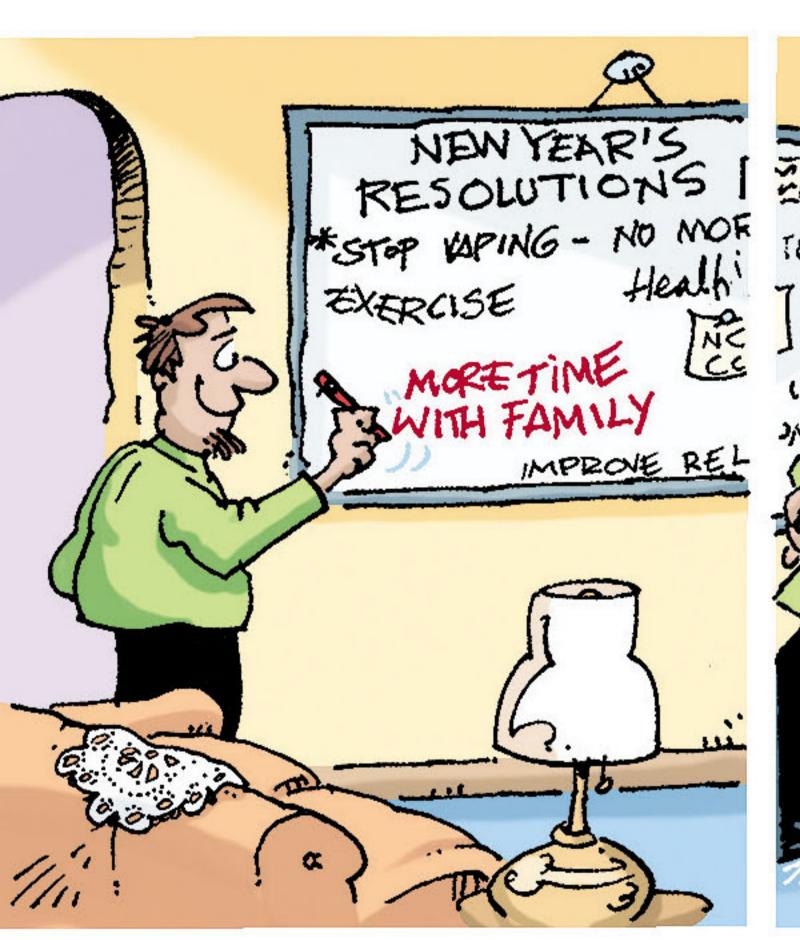














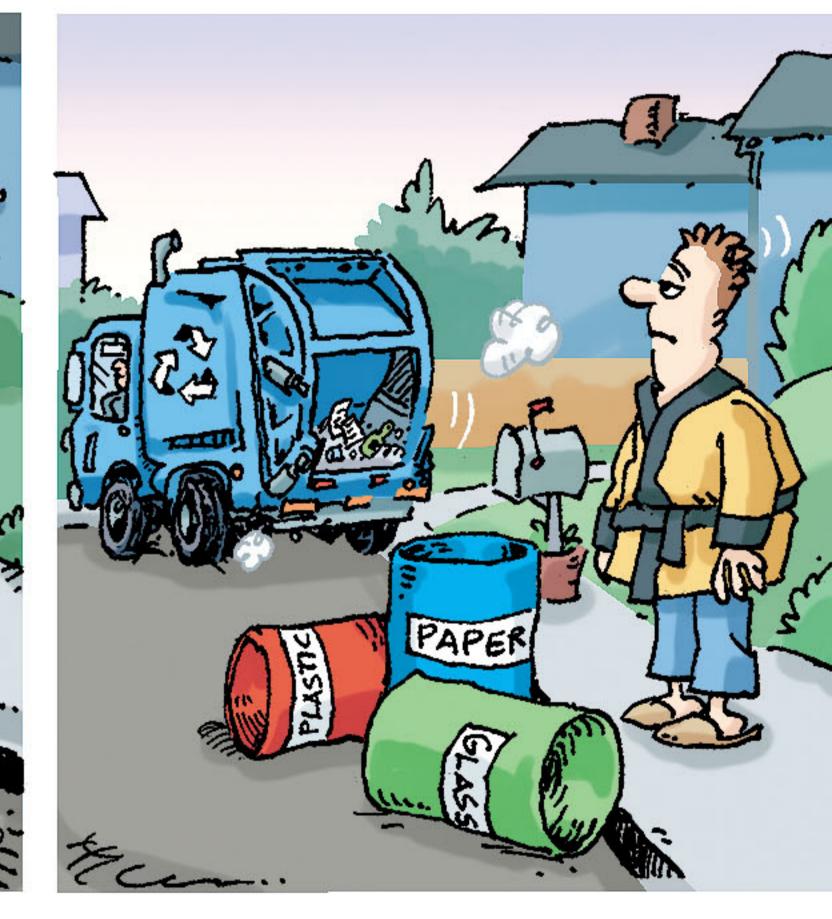




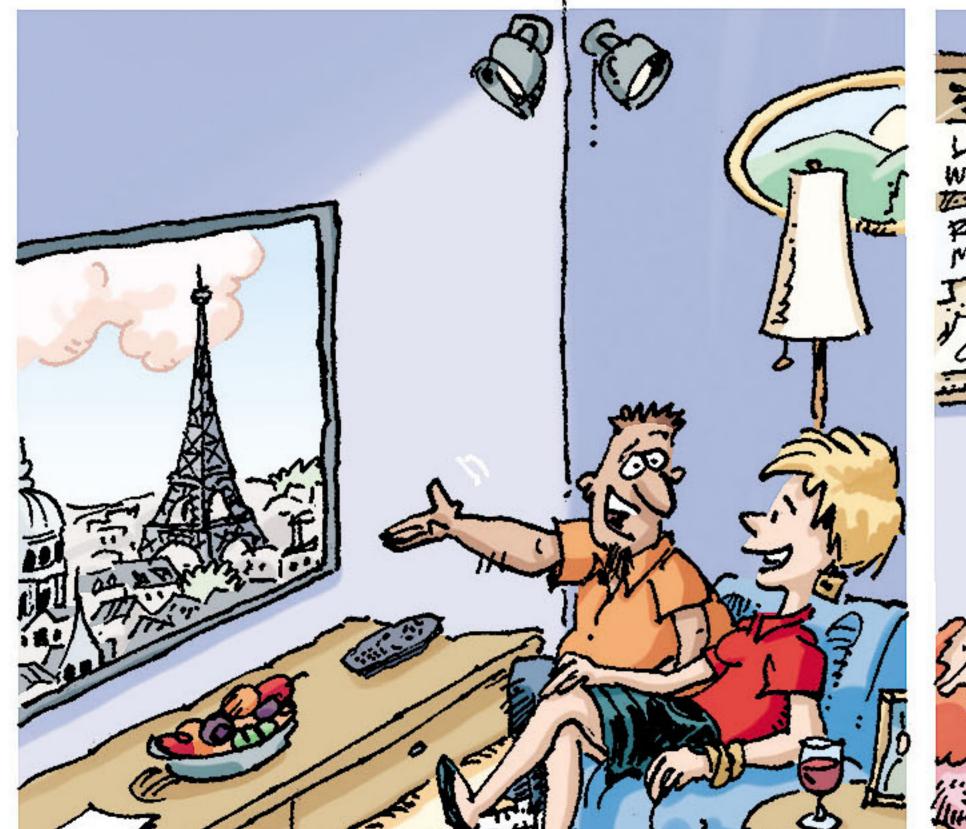


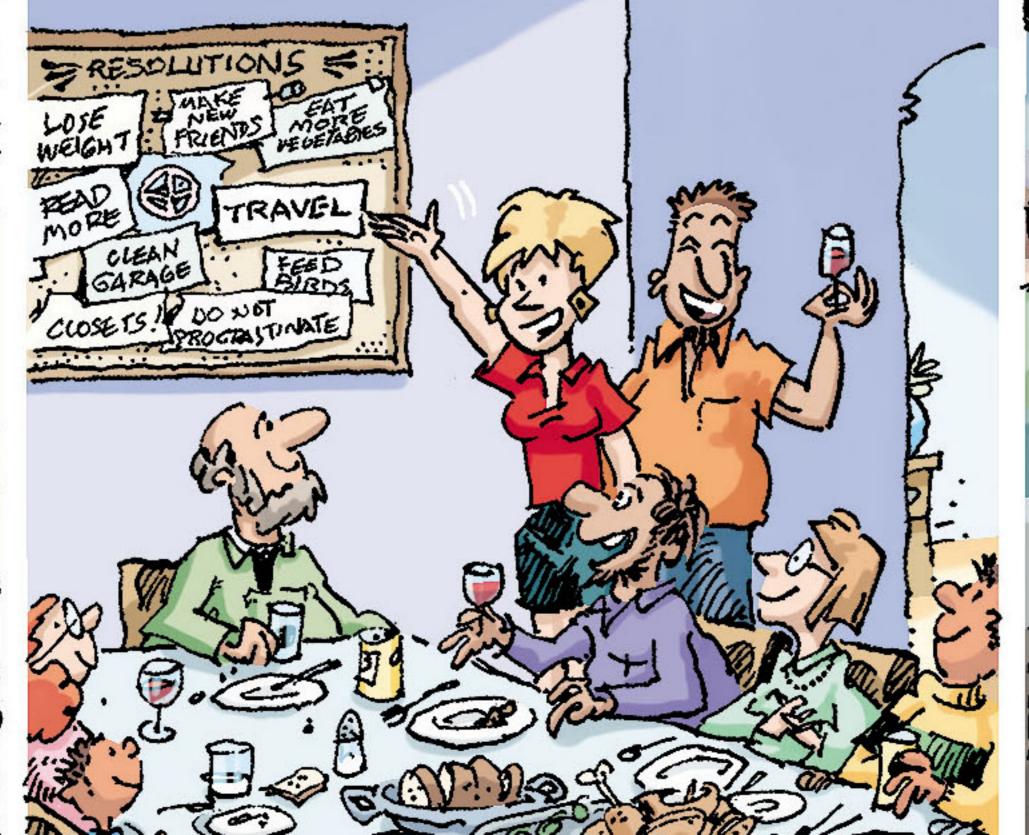






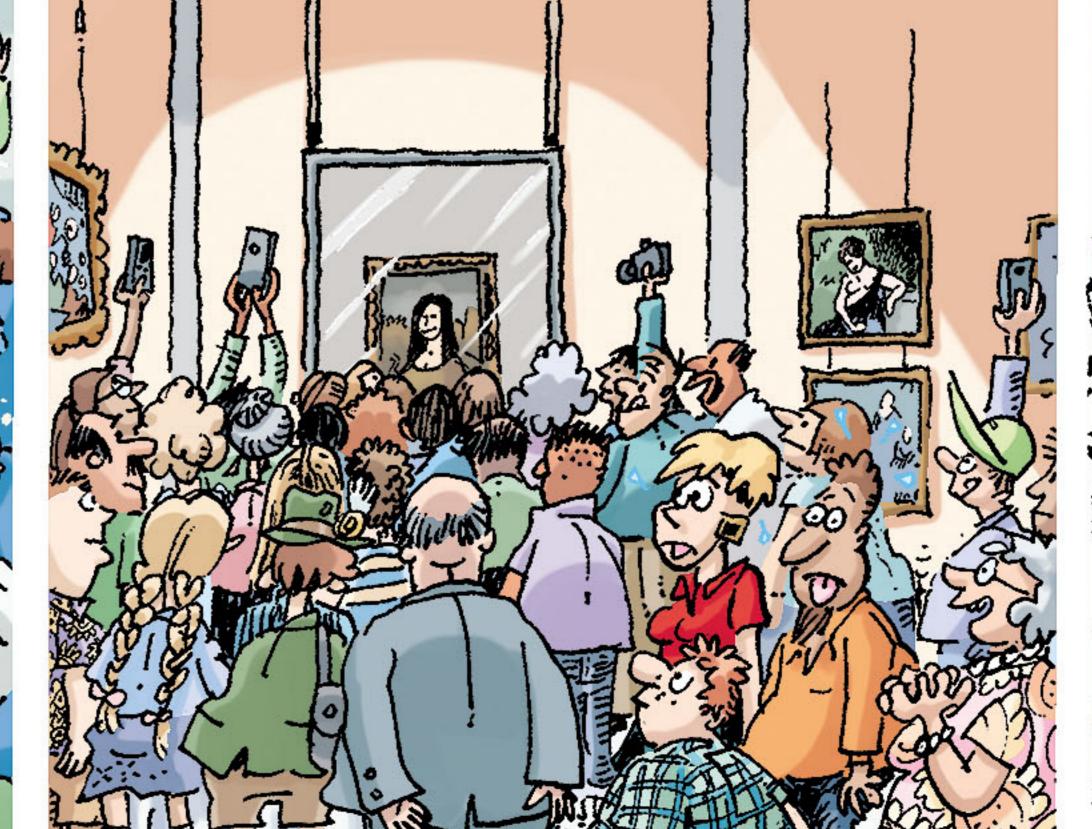
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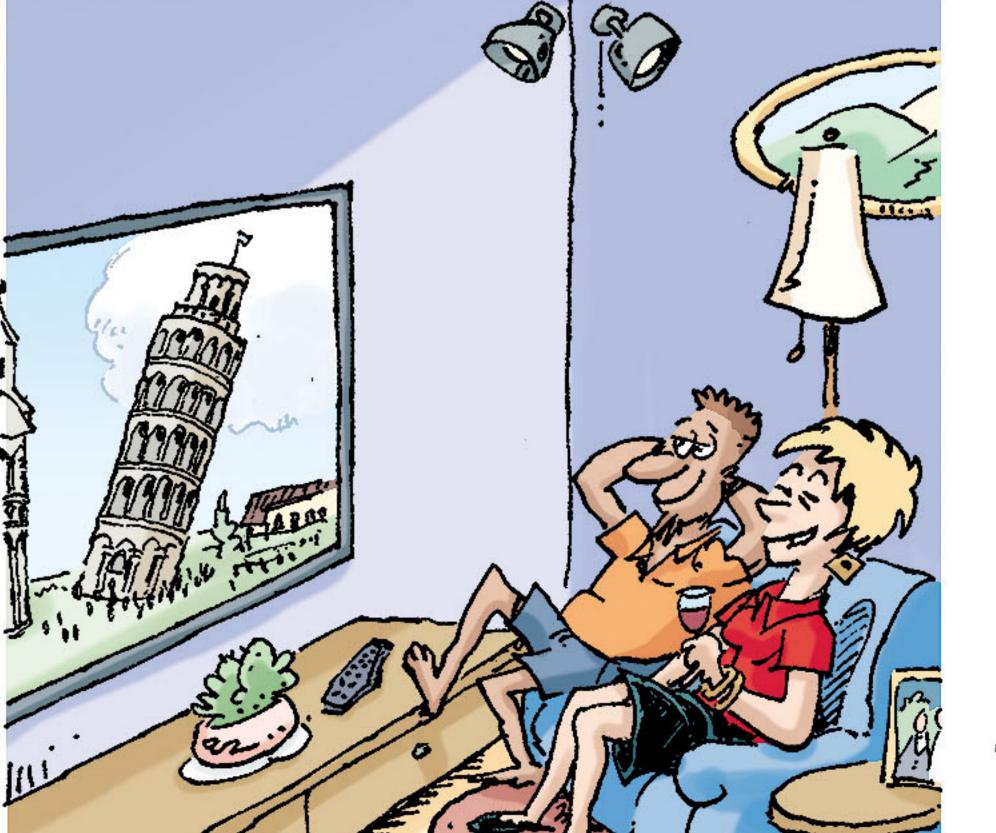


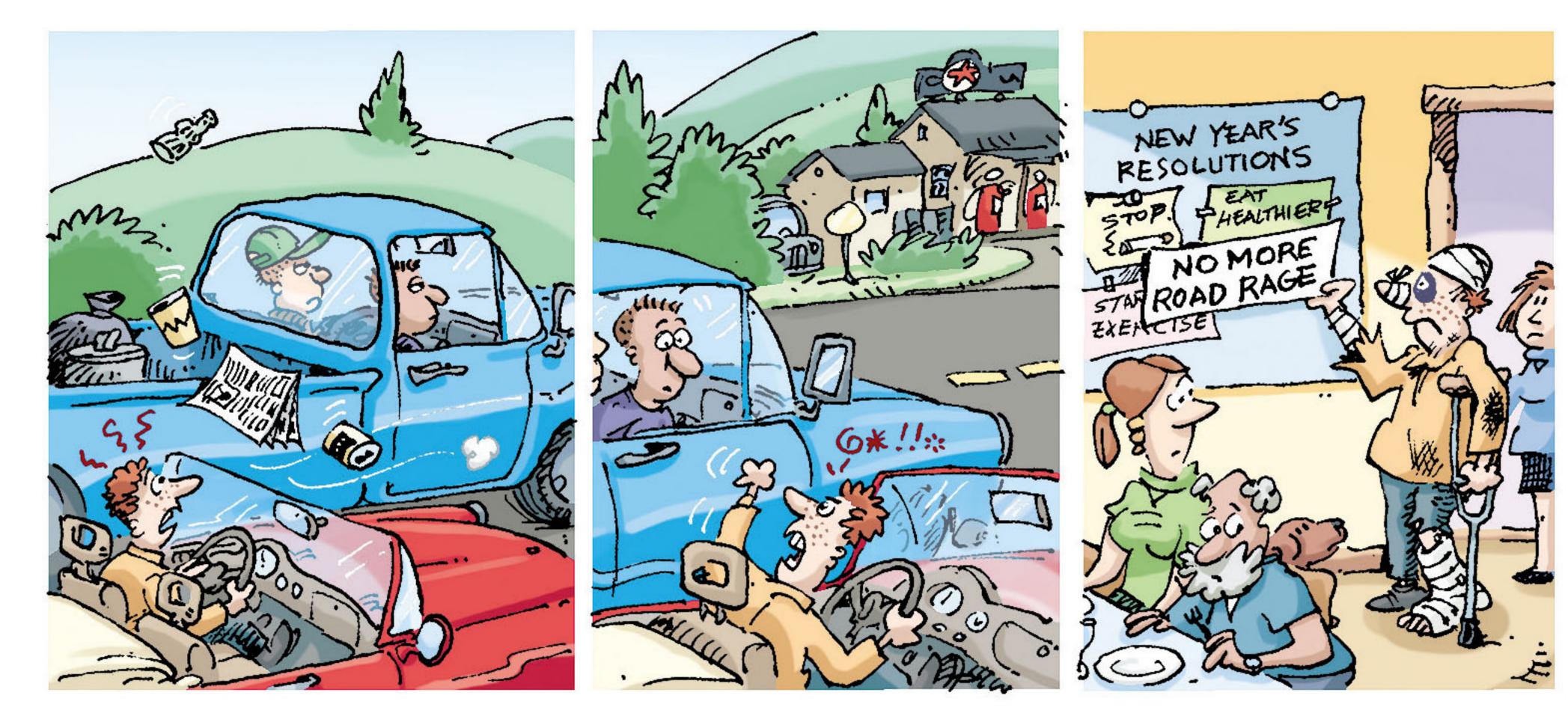








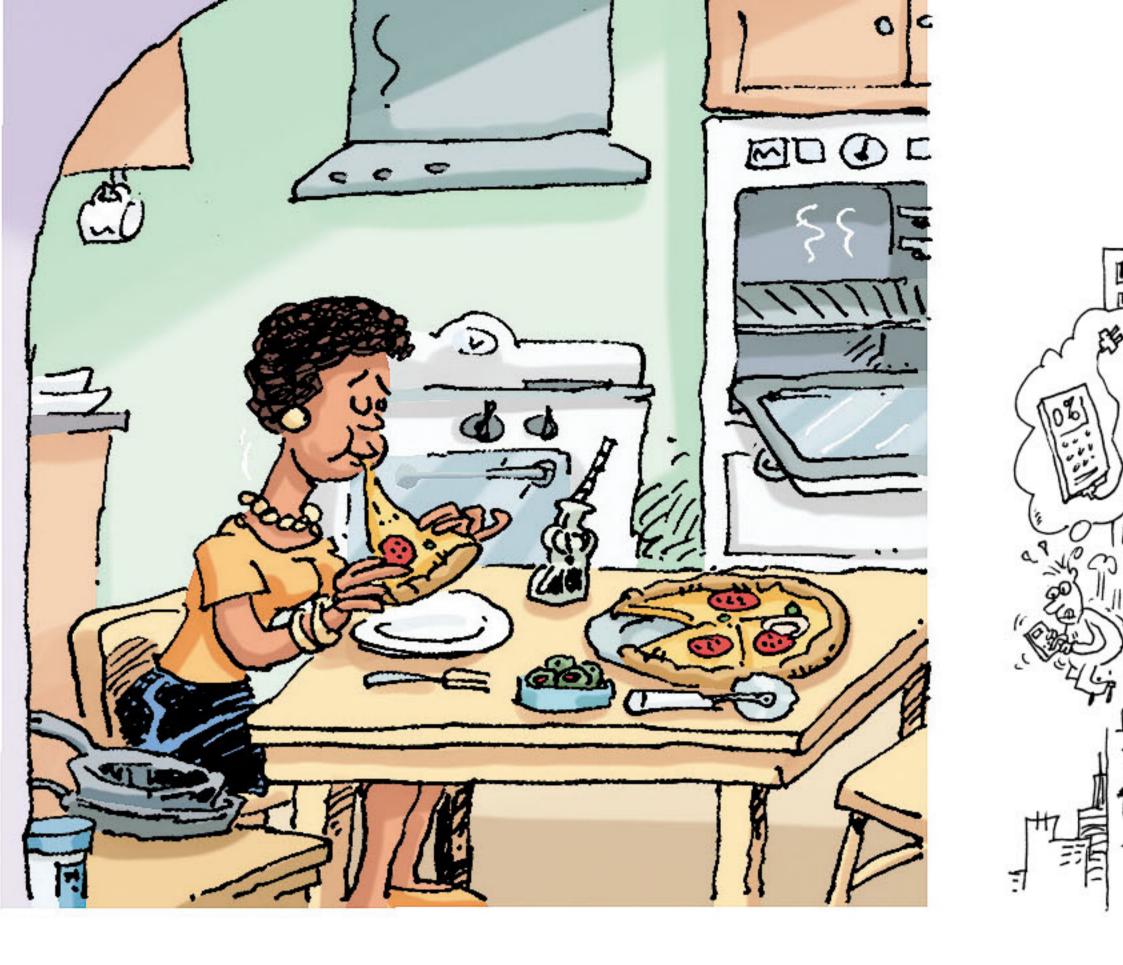




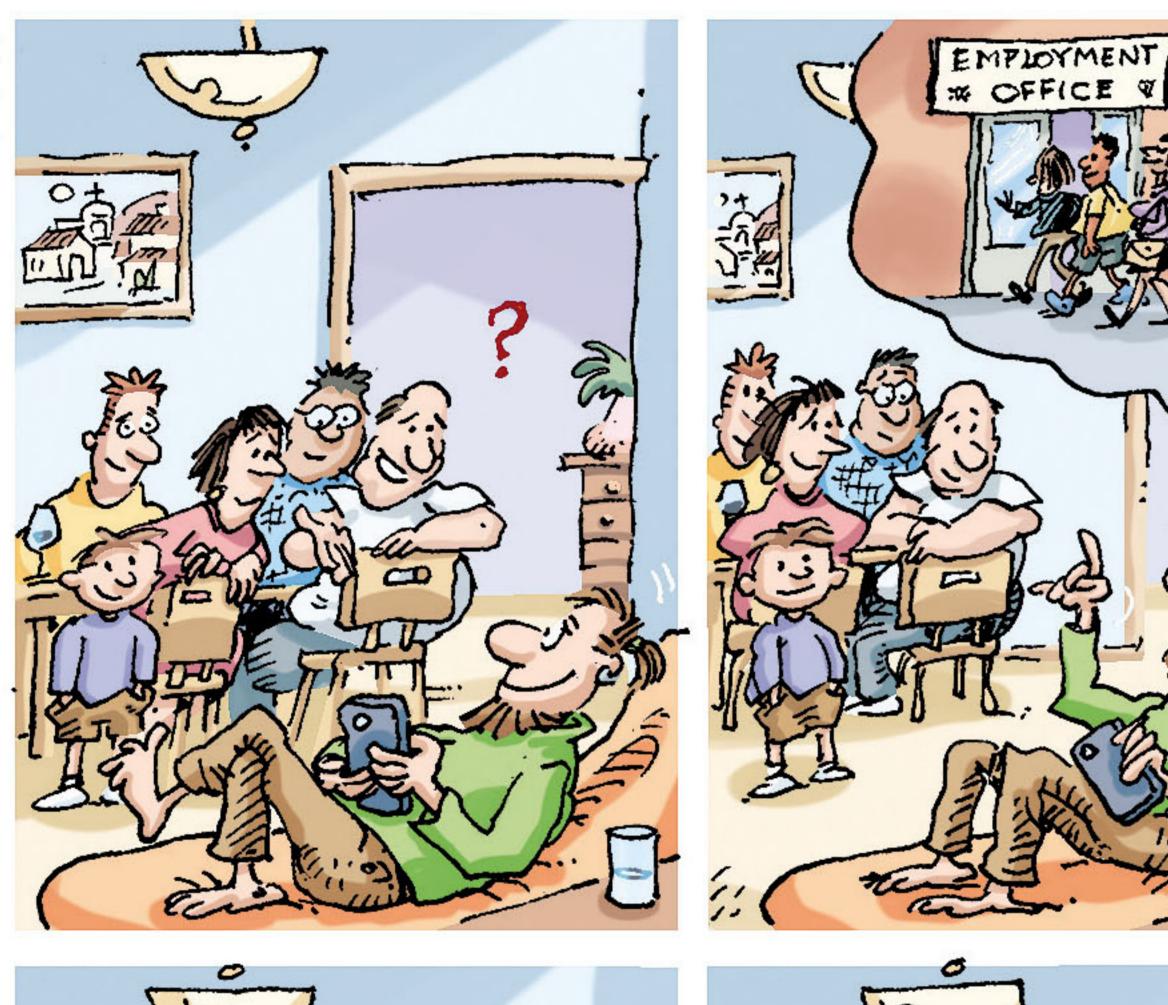








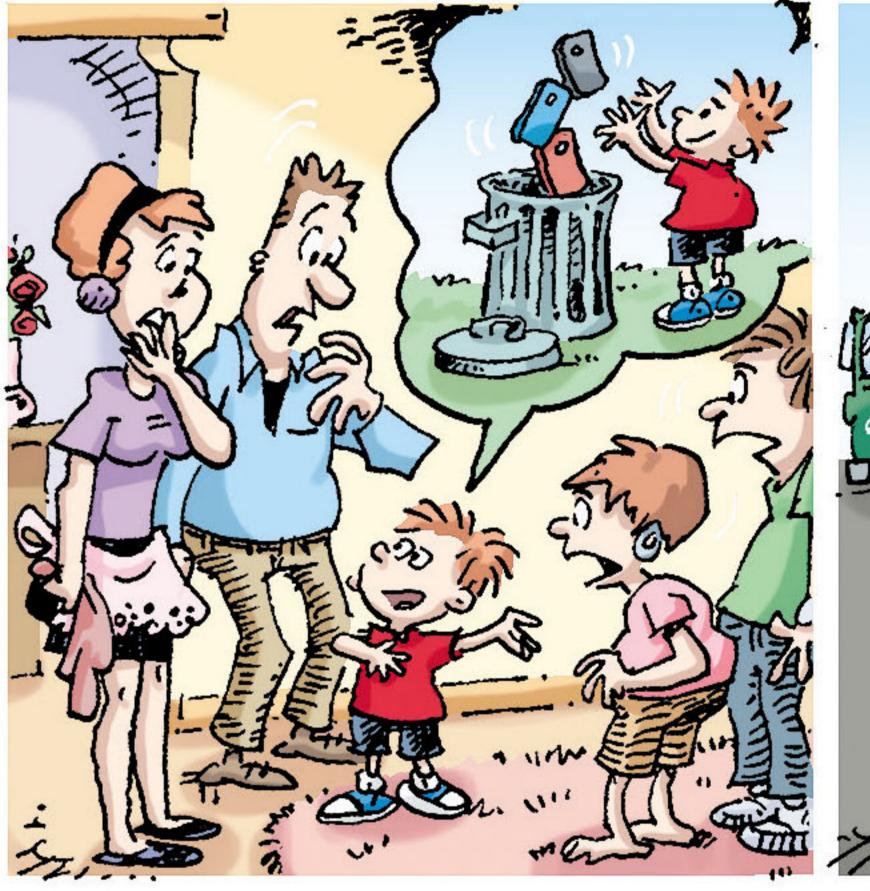










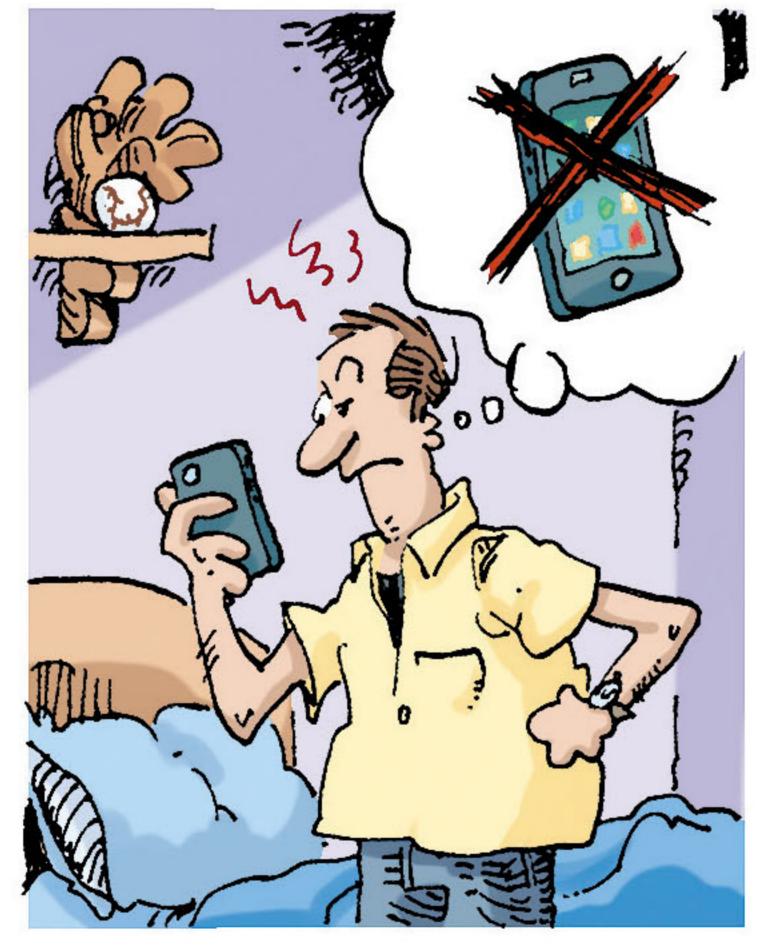








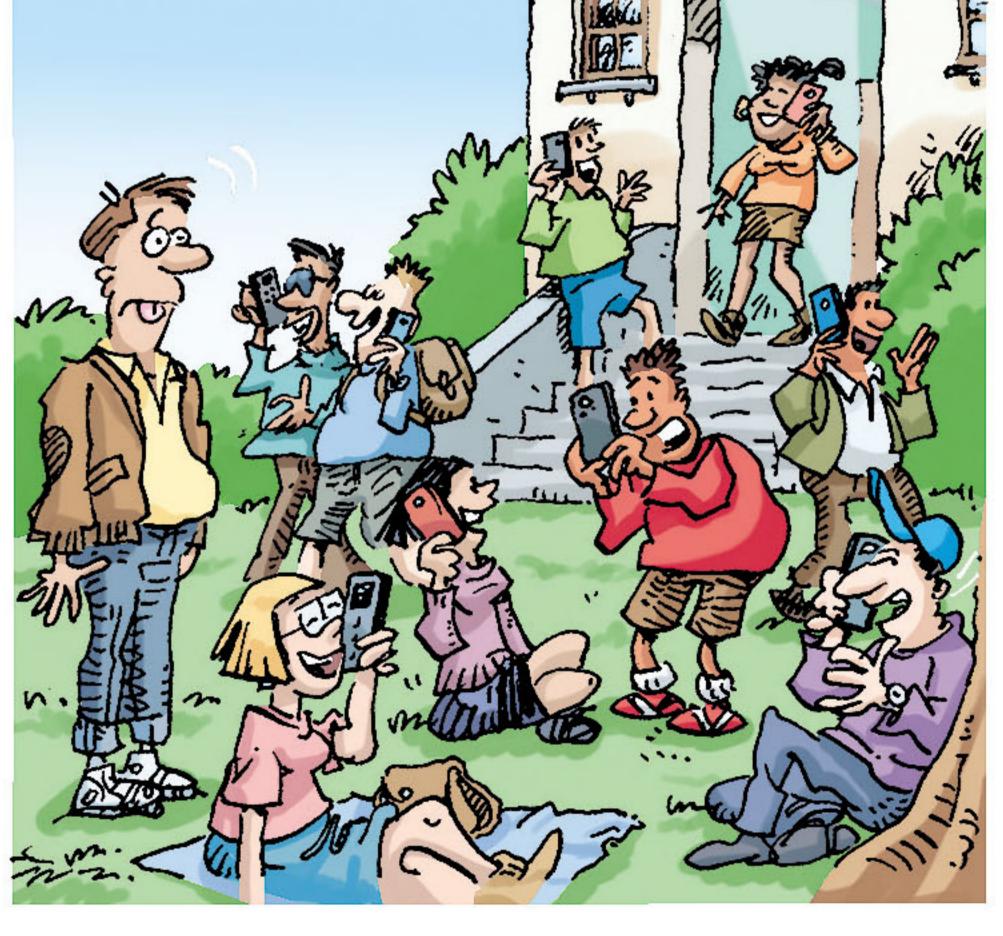






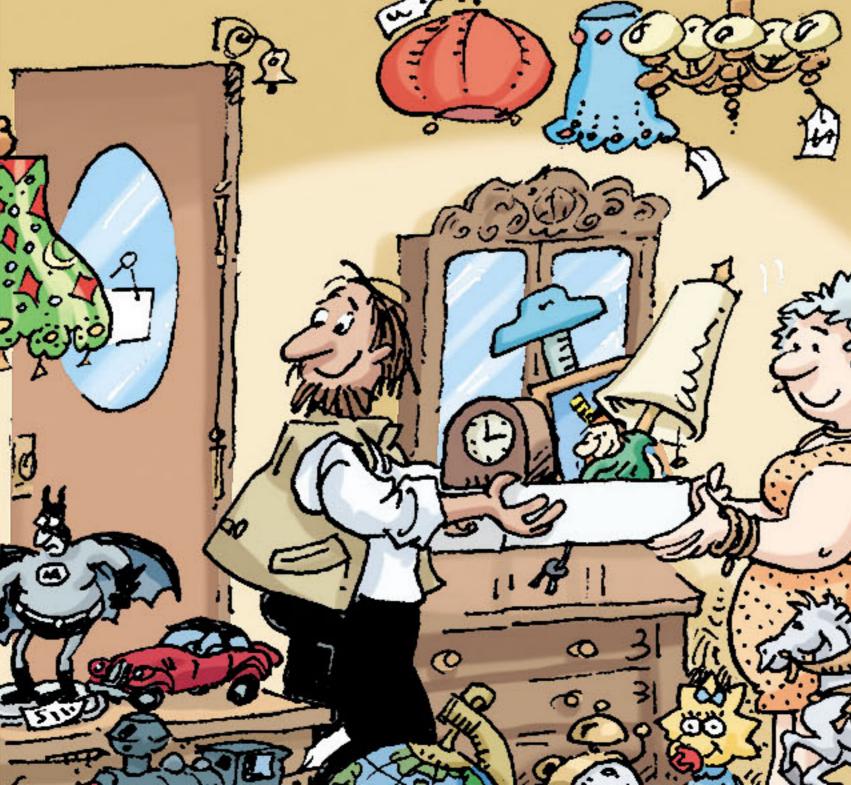










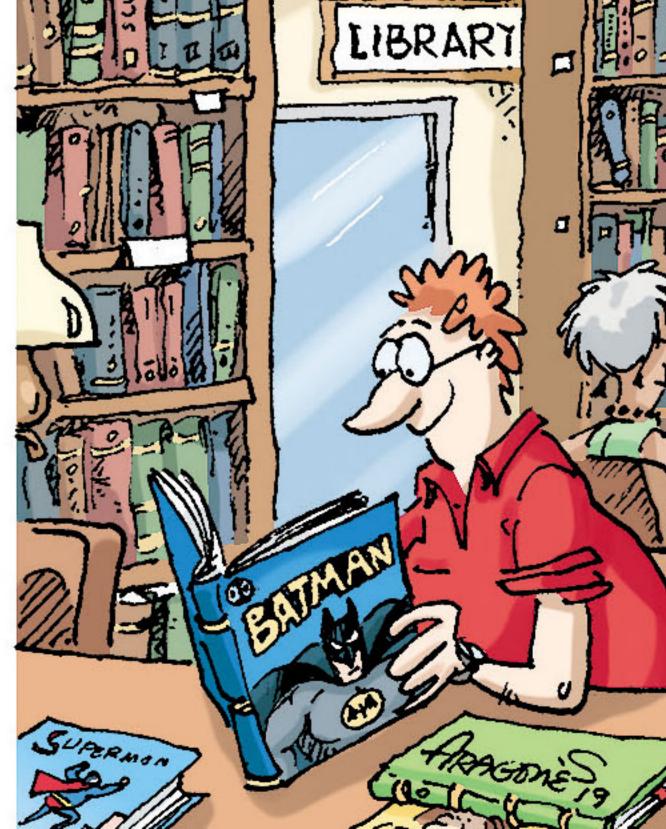


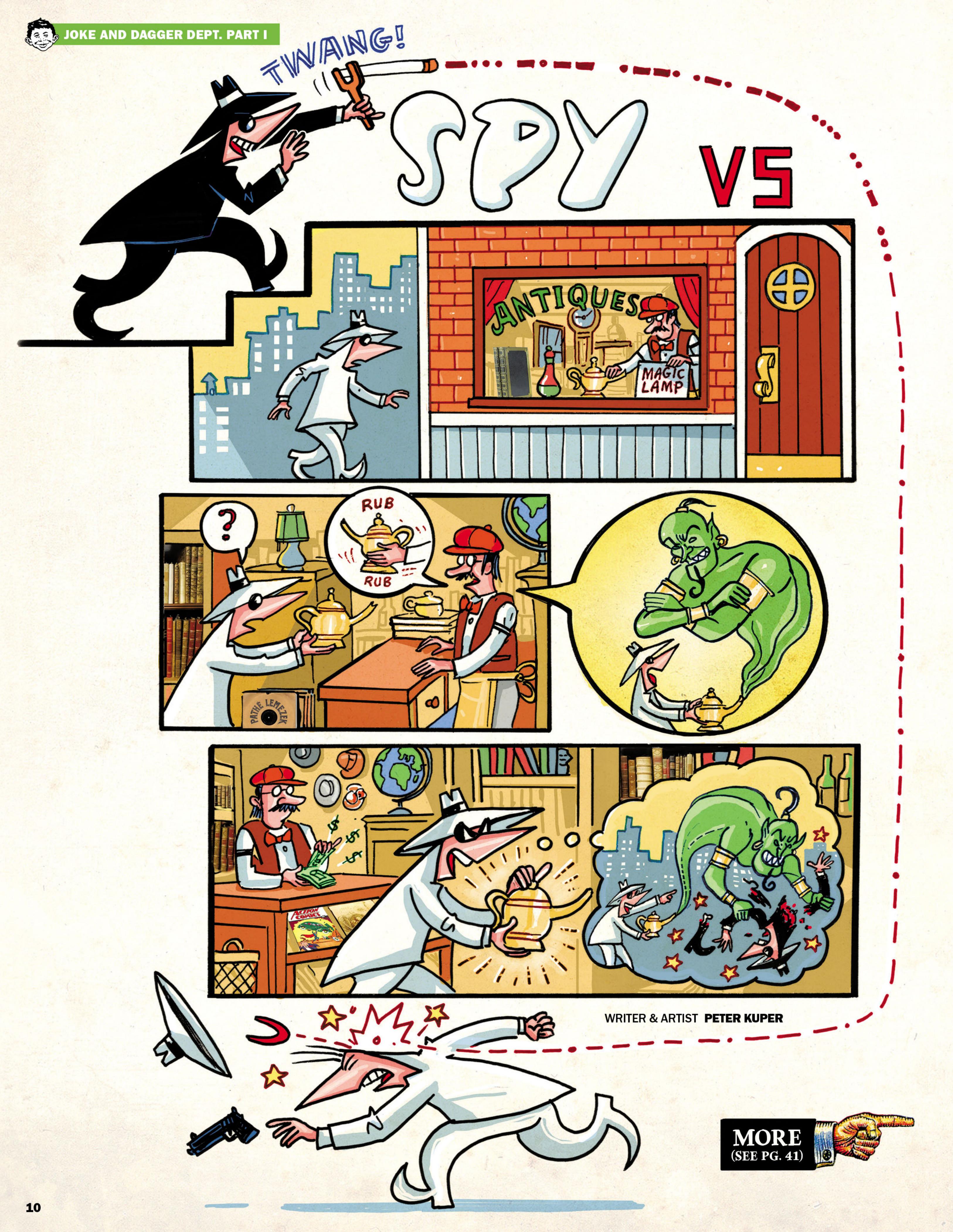










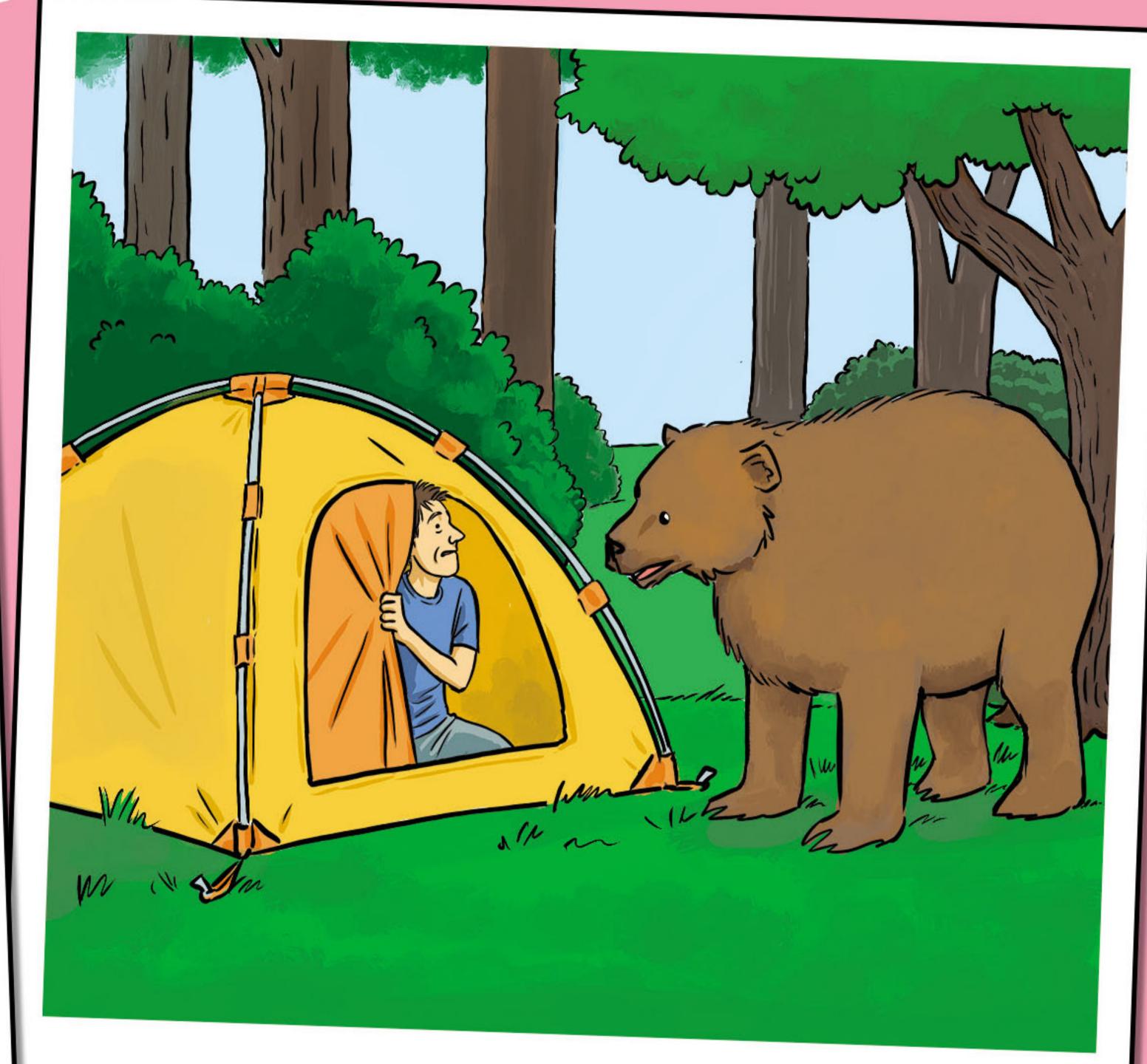




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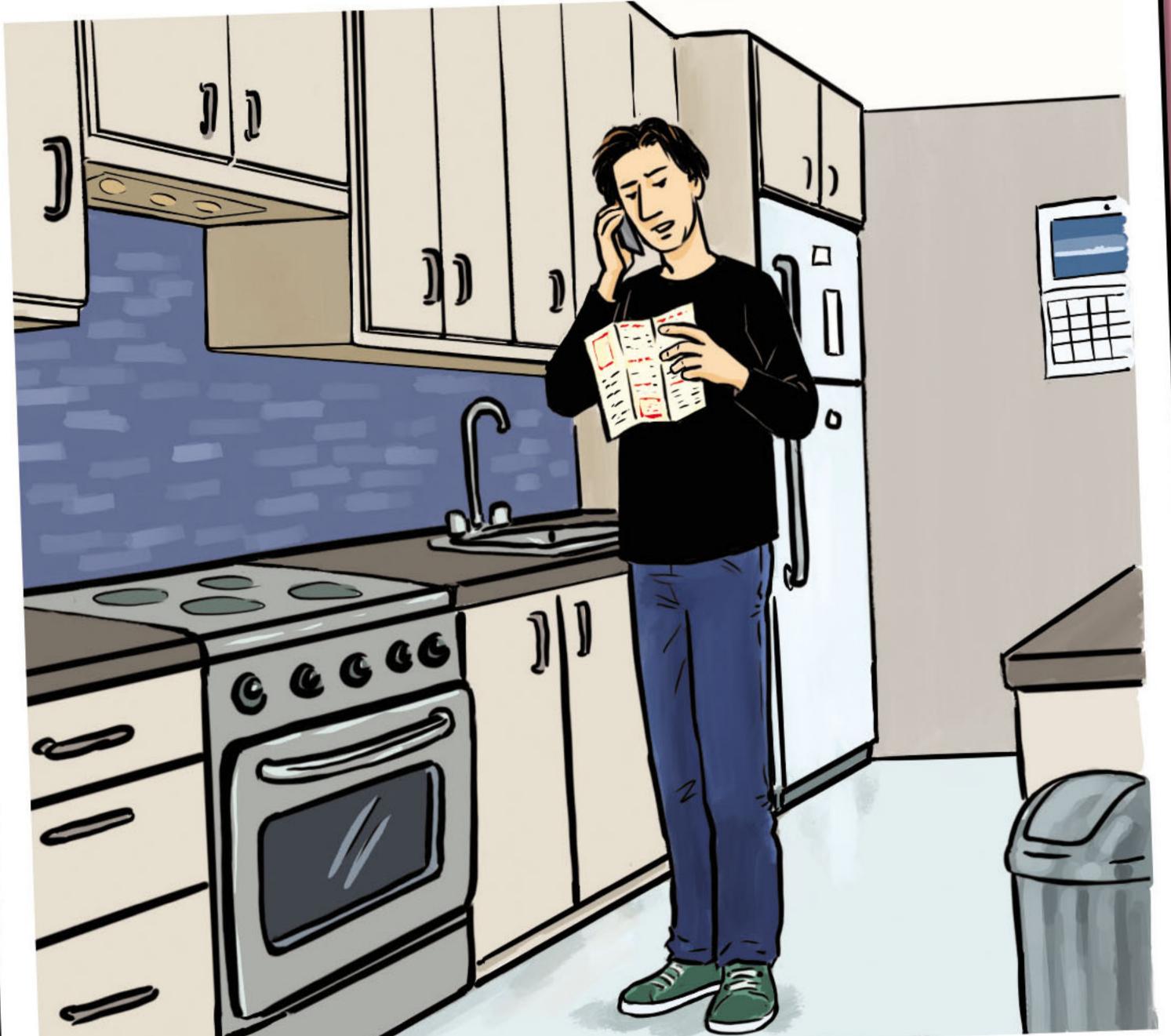
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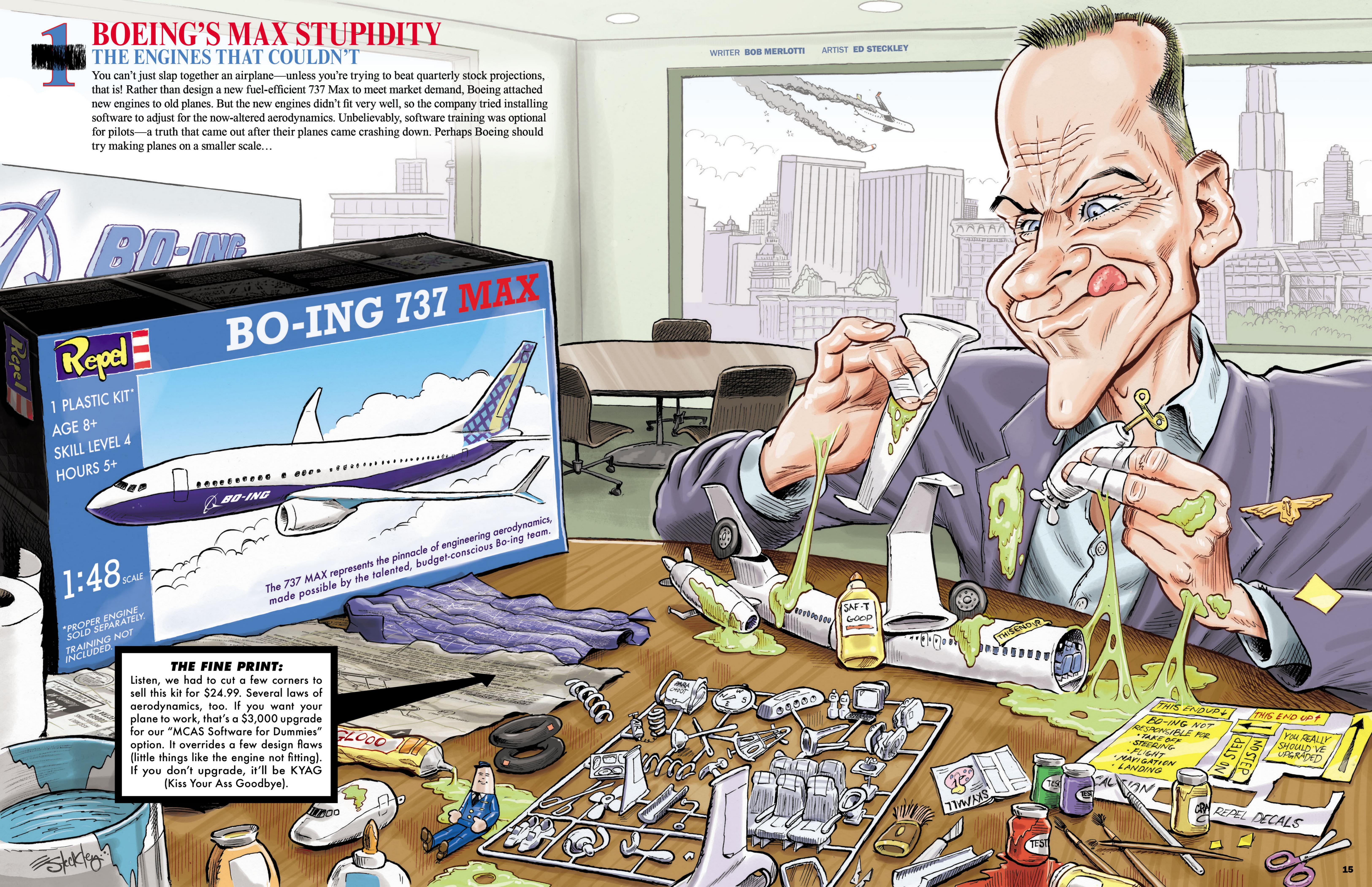


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AMAZON HQ2 SUBPRIME REAL ESTATE PICKS

After a year and a half of Amazon trying to wring tax breaks from cities dying to host the online retail giant's second headquarters, the company chose Long Island City, NY, without asking its residents what they thought of the deal. And the residents eagerly responded with a series of angry protests. As a result, Amazon backed out of Long Island City, and Jeff Bezos learned that hunting for a corporation's new home is no less difficult than a couple choosing which house to buy on a cable TV show.





DEPLORABLE MIGRANT DETENTION CAMPS

CAN YOU SAY CAMPAMENTOS DE INTERNAMIENTO?

ICE has arrested and deported illegal immigrants at an unprecedented pace this year, leaving many tearful children without parents. If that weren't traumatizing enough, the facilities where kids have been kept were reported as overcrowded, unsanitary, and short on food. Not to let horrific events pass without cashing in, Hollywood has found its inspiration for the sequel to Dora's recent big-screen adventure...exploring the Ruins of American Decency.





ADMITTING TO ADMISSIONS FRAUD OPERATION VARSITY DUES

When it comes to getting into college, we'd always suspected the wealthy had a leg up even when their grades were down. And in 2019 those suspicions were validated with cold, hard receipts. We saw the price for sending a kid who doesn't study to a top university: a lot. But what happens after the 1 percent get caught bribing and then have to drain their savings on legal fees, a messy divorce, and a Mediterranean yacht trip to forget about it all? They raise funds like the rest of us.



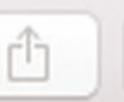




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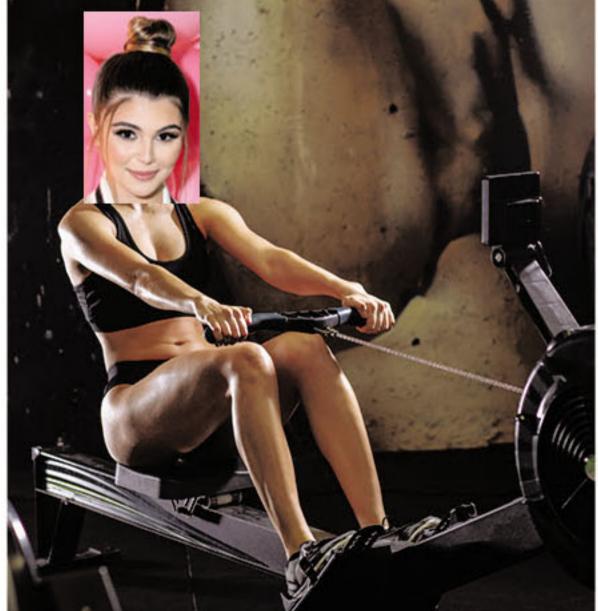
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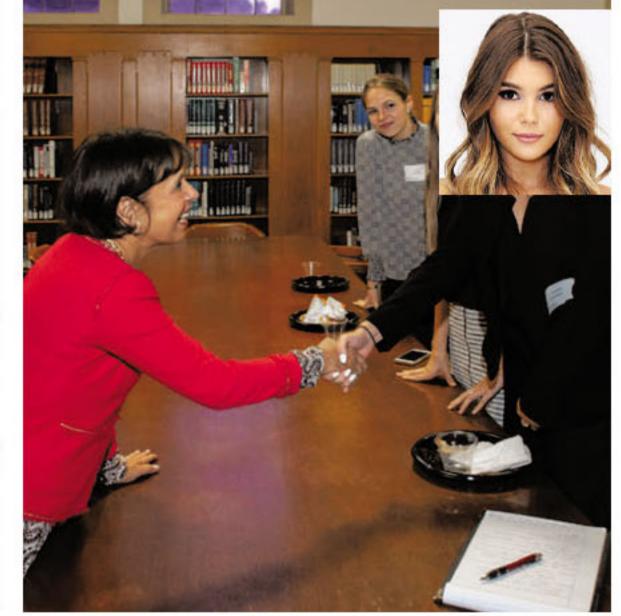
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Help My Girls Go To College

This is a legal way to do this, right?













About

It's hard to be a parent-slash-actor. If you want your kids to succeed, you have to put in a lot of effort! Which I just can't do, because I'm busy being fourth-billed on a TV show. So please back this campaign and help make my dreams—I mean my kids' dreams—come true.

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Pay their tuition and keep us all in schoolinsignia sweatshirts (which I can flaunt to my new prison friends).

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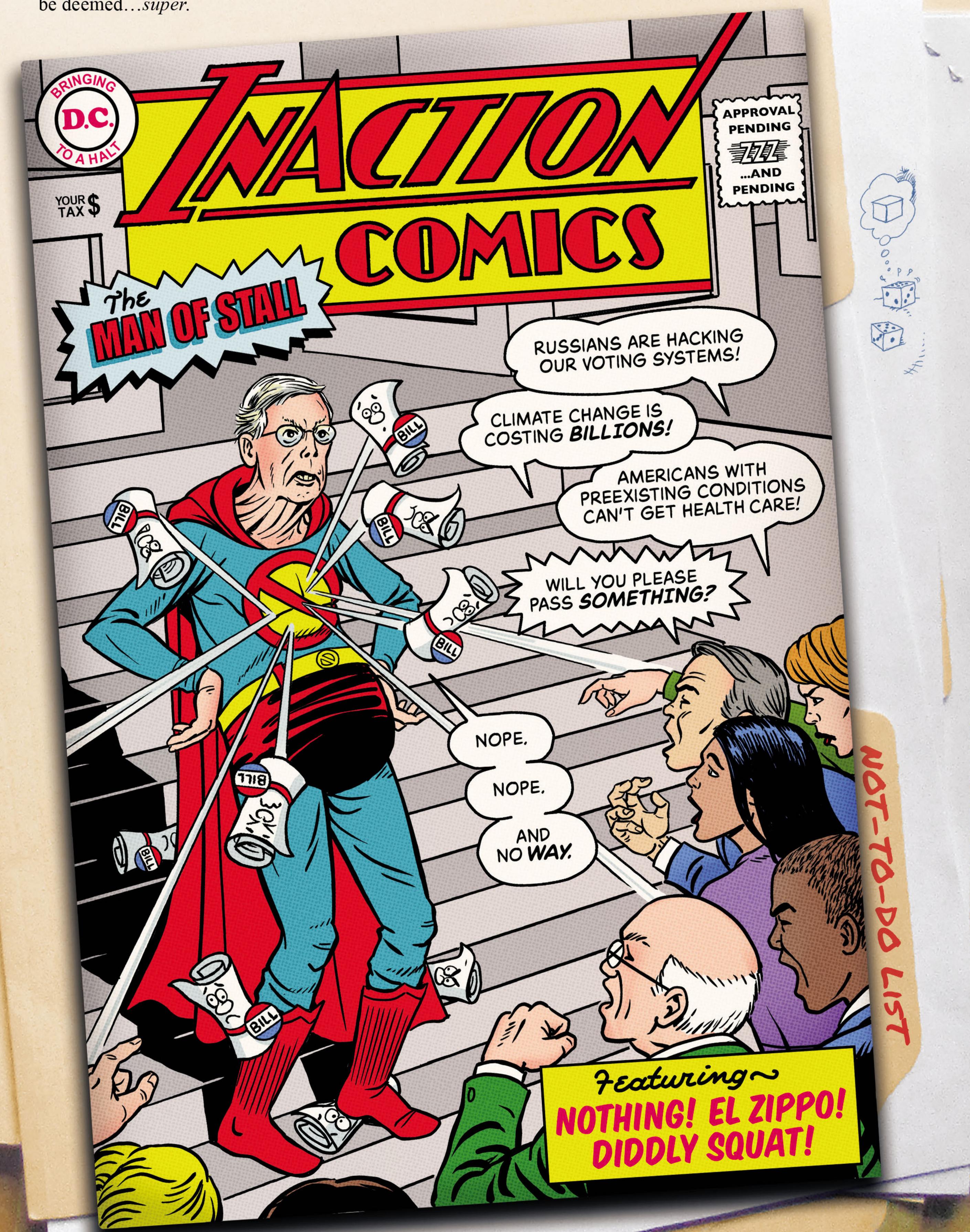
Law school is just around the corner (I hope)!

WRITER ELLIS ROSEN ARTIST RAVEN JUERGENSEN



MITCH McCONNELL'S BILL KILLING ABLE TO BLOCK DEMOCRACY IN A SINGLE BOUND

Senate Majority Impeder Mitch McConnell spent 2019 blocking House bills on election security, immigration, gun control, health care, voting rights...and more! Thanks to his unconscionable obstruction, the Senate has passed one-third as many laws as it did a decade ago. His power to thwart progress in Congress could even be deemed...super.







SELFIE-DESTRUCTION DYING IN VAIN

In some ways, smartphones have made us act dumber than ever. Case in point: all the people who've died in easily avoidable accidents while trying to wow their followers with killer photos, whether careening off cliffs or falling into waterfalls. Such a troubling trend warrants a Seussian-style primer to teach future generations about selfie-control.

Wheres

We'll tell you a tale, it's the saddest we've heard, Of Beatrix Ladle VonDreidel the Third. Her story's a tragedy, maybe the worst! The Third was the last but she wasn't the first...

Grandmother Beatrix loved to go hiking, Spelunking, base-jumping, motocross biking. She flew to Sri Lanka (the feeling was glam!) All for a flex on Instagram to her fam.

While taking a selfie for follower gains, She slipped, and tripped, from The Great Horton Plains! Then Beatrix Ladle Von Dreidel the First Fell to her sad death—and her family was cursed!

Beatrix Ladle VonDreidel the Second Knew screen safety... at least that's what she reckoned. While she was aware she should not text and drive She'd have to slow her whole scroll to stay alive.

Zoos were her thing, from New York to Pomona, She visited one in hot Arizona, And broke out her phone feeling no fear of harm, Till an ornery jaguar gobbled her arm!

Now, Beatrix Ladle VonDreidel Part Three Had seen all of this, to her great misery. Still there were more injured folks by the dozens, Her aunts and her uncles, nephews and cousins.

Some were mowed down while taking pics on train tracks, Others died by discharging guns off their racks! Selfies with hand grenades mid pulling the pins, Yet somehow surprised when exploding begins!

The last of her clan, Bea just would not succumb To death so explosive, corrosive, and dumb. ? It only took dozens of corpses to learn:

No selfie is worth a cadaverous turn!

WRITER JESSE KOESTER ARTIST MARC PALM

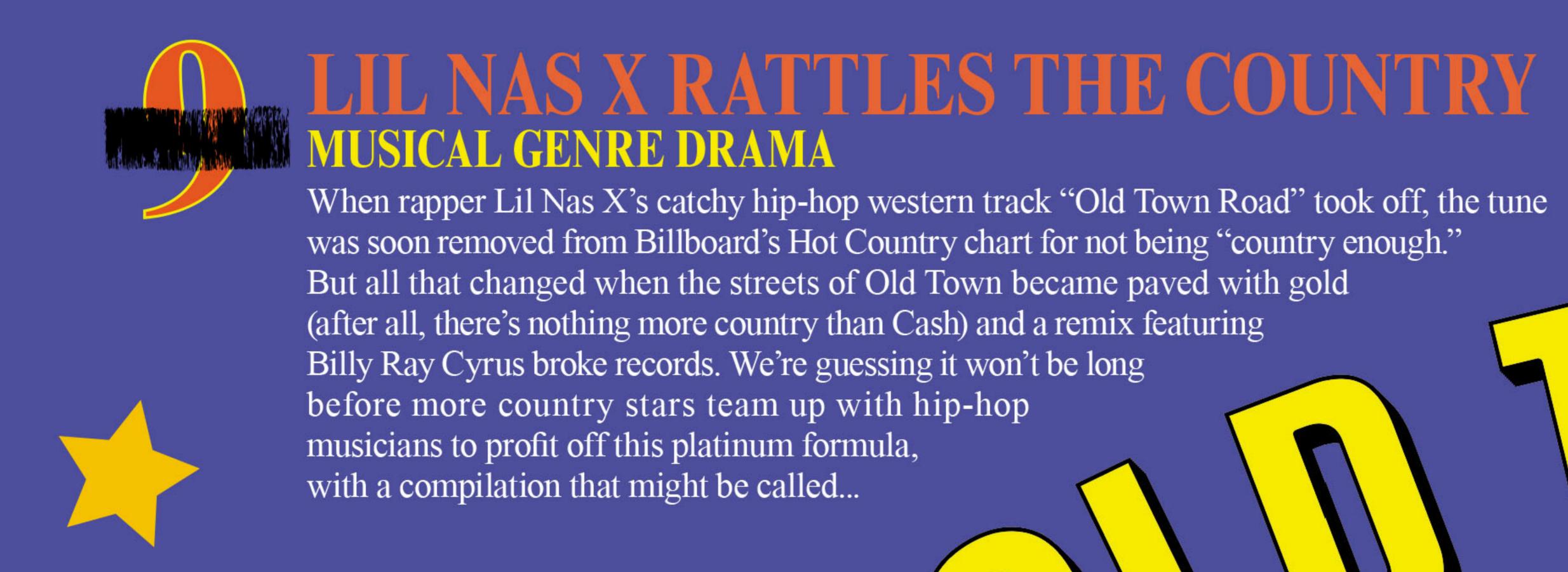


THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION BRINGS YOU A "NOT A RACIST BONE IN MY BODY" PRODUCTION

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"THE BLACK ONE (I know obama, so I can say that)" "THE ONE WHO COULD MAYBE PASS AS WHITE (WHY DOESN'T SHE DO THAT?)" "ME (BIG, BIG STAR)"

APPARENTLY IF YOU'RE NOT WHITE, YOU'RE NOT FROM HERE



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HE'S BACK AT IT!

NEVER BEFORE
HAS THIS MUCH
STAR POWER WORKED
SO HARD TO SOUND
SO WRONG!

YOU'LL WISH YOU HAD HEARD THIS ALREADY WHEN EVERYONE ELSE ALREADY HAS! WRITER BROCKTON MCKINNEY
ARTIST DEAN MACADAM





ON-DEMAND ONSLAUGHT

SO MANY TV OPTIONS, IT'S SCARY

Streaming services have changed how and where we're entertained (we can even watch shows while "streaming" on the toilet). But this year new subscription-based platforms were announced at an unprecedented rate, giving us a frightening glimpse at a future of juggling multiple accounts, apps, and fees just to watch TV. Also terrifying: Monster mergers in Hollywood are forcing studios to cannibalize themselves in order to feed their own content needs. It's so overwhelming, audiences are afraid to pick up the remote...because it's all coming from inside the house!



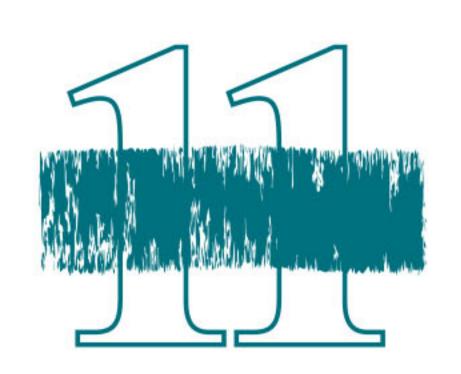
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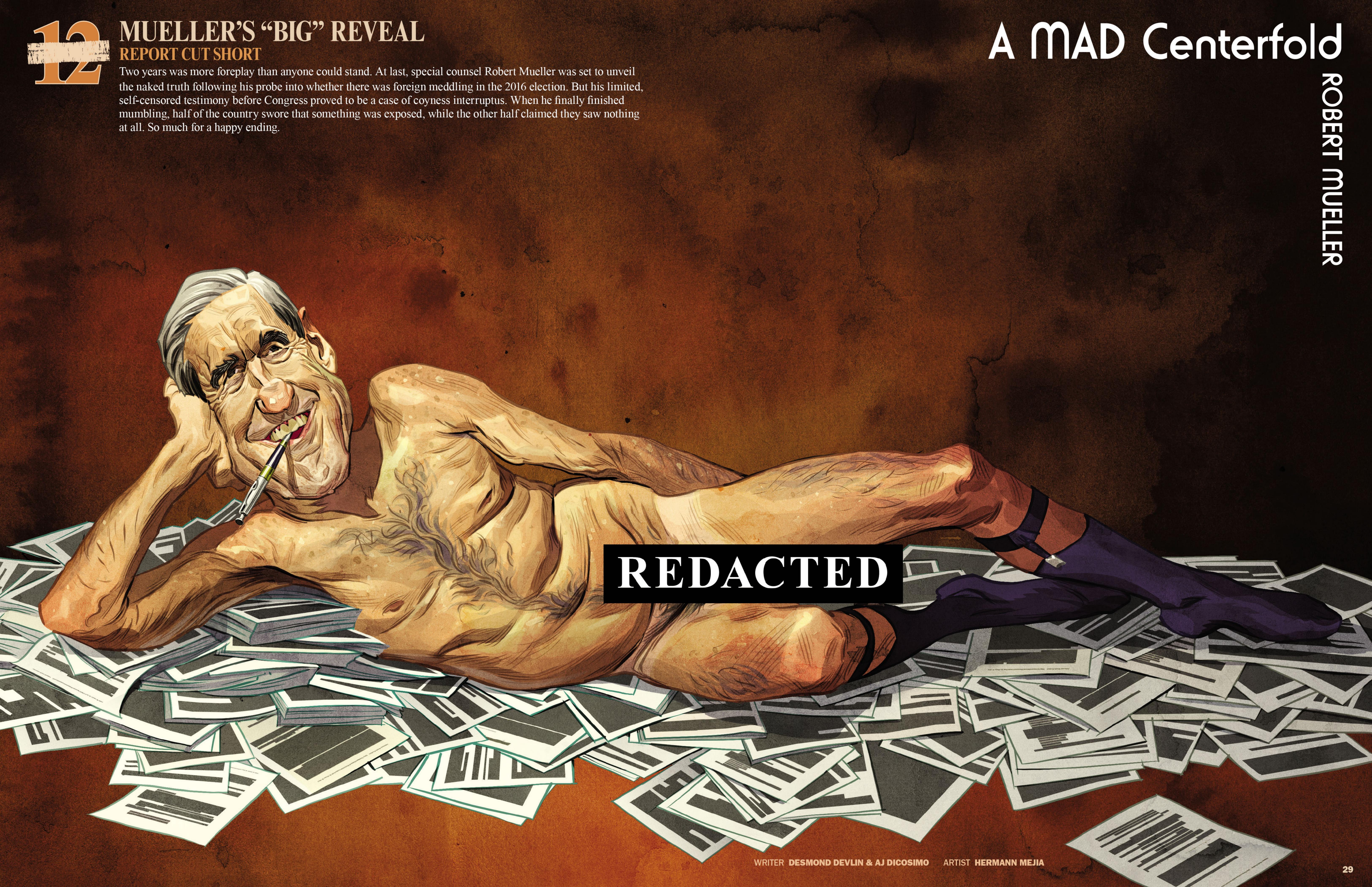


AMASSED SHOOTINGS A BIT OF WARNING

Gilroy, California (4 killed, 12 injured), El Paso, Texas (22 killed, 24 injured), Dayton, Ohio (10 killed, 27 injured)... that was just *one* week of mass shootings in 2019. And still little has been done about our nation's glut of guns. But the NRA's hold on our government doesn't have to keep us held up by an active shooter! We can arm ourselves—as in, wear something on our arms to provide an iota of the security that banning military-grade weapons would bring.









KYLIE JENNER'S "SELF-MADE" STATUS MONEY WHERE HER MOUTH IS

Kylie Jenner was named the world's youngest "self-made" billionaire by Forbes, thanks to her booming Lip Kit empire—oh, yeah, and her E! television platform...and her membership in the wealthy Kardashian clan of Calabasas. But just like Kylie's artificially plumped pout, coverage of her success can always be more inflated! If shameless self-promotion on Instagram doesn't do it, she could take out a classic-style cosmetics ad.

MAYBE SHE'S BORN WITH IT.

OH WAIT. SHE DEFINITELY WAS. LIP KIT SHADES Orange You Glad You're Not Khloe Unattainable Standard of Ruby Raspberry Stain on Society Silver Spoon Maroon Gag-Me Green KYLECCH MATTE LIQUID LIPSTICK & LIP LINER NET WT. 0.11 OZ. (3.25 g) NET WT. 0.03 OZ. (1.0 g) WRITER LILA ASH ARTIST MIKE LOEW



PERVERTED JUSTICE LONG-ACCUSED PREDATORS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

What was it about 2019 that drummed up a delayed response to public figures long accused of pedophilia? Whether in a court of law or a damning documentary, the deviant behavior of Jeffrey Epstein, Roy Moore, R. Kelly, and Michael Jackson came under fire...decades after they were first suspected of such crimes. The Epstein case became even more controversial after he was found dead in his jail cell. With so much still unknown and so many mysterious mishandlings, there's enough here to fill an entire investigative-drama series box set.



- Commentary by fans who know it's all a hoax because they like "I Believe I Can Fly"

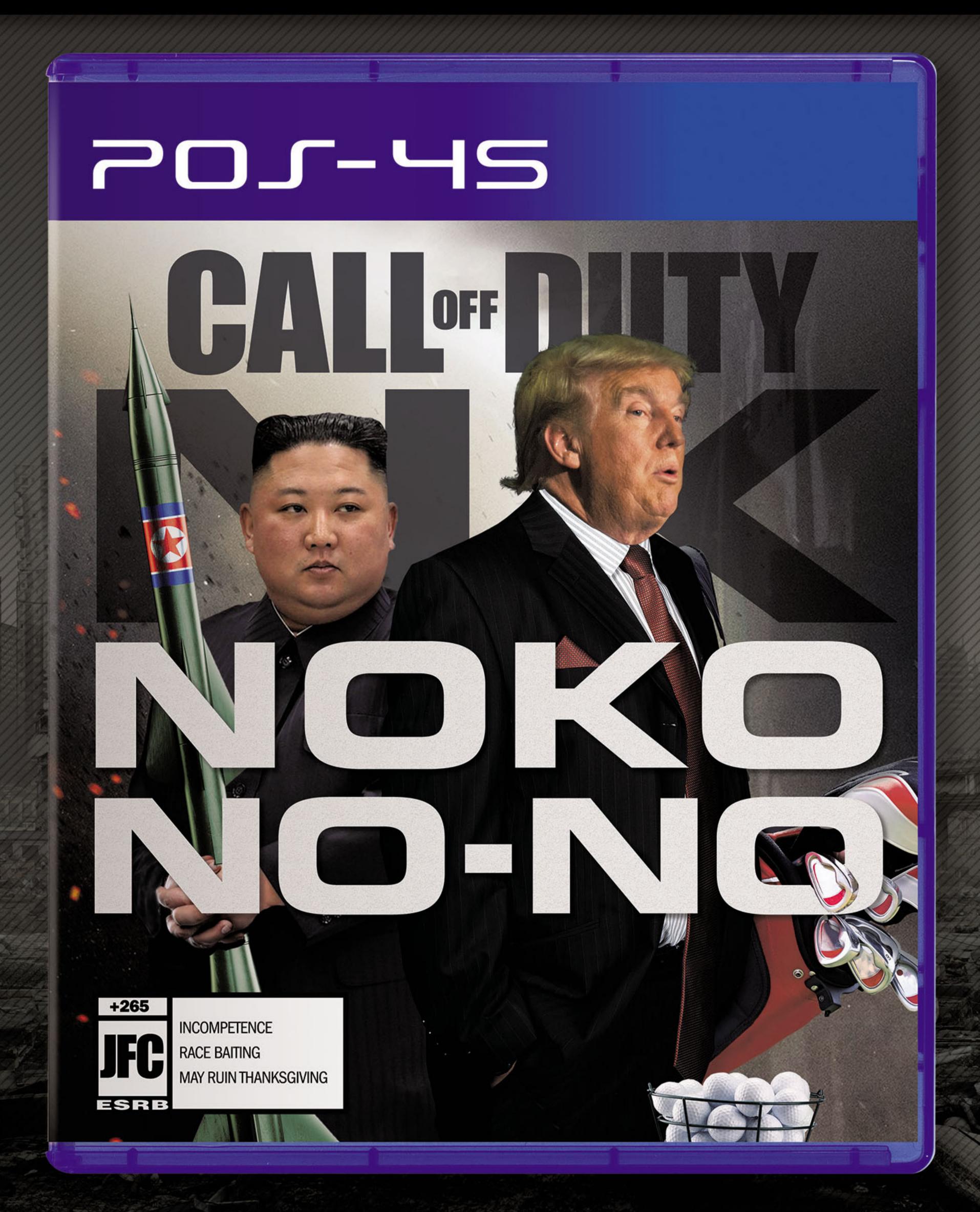




HANOI SUMMIT INTERRUPTUS

HANDSHAKE-TO-HANDSHAKE COMBAT

When North Korea restarted its nuclear program, President Trump wasted no time tweeting, golfing, tweeting, and then scheduling an emergency summit with Kim Jong-un. But, other than two dudes in world leader cosplay sitting uncomfortably in a room full of toadies, nothing happened. No agreement was reached because the summit was cut short...OR WAS IT? No, it was. But WHAT IF IT WASN'T?? Well, now you can feel the thrill of eschewing modern warfare at home...



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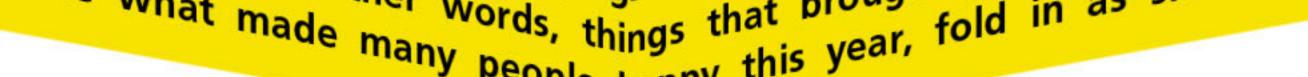


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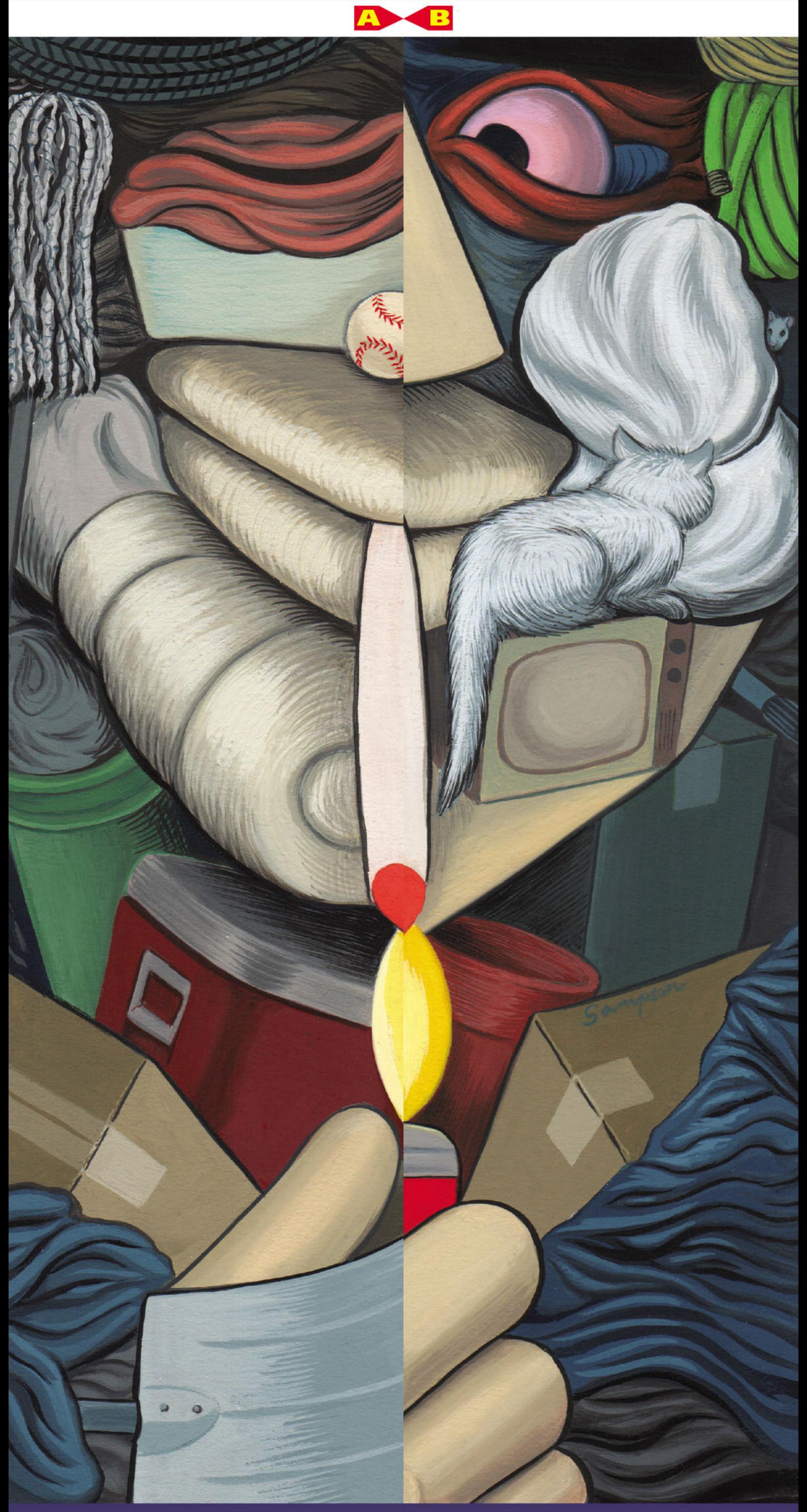
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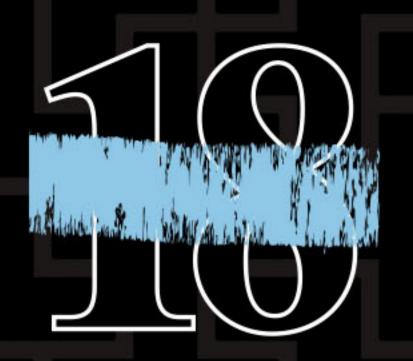








LEGAL WEED



JUSSIE GETS JUMPED CHOOSE YOUR OWN MISADVENTURE

In the past year, audiences were introduced to a revolutionary form of entertainment—and we don't mean Netflix's interactive film Black Mirror: Bandersnatch! We mean the saga surrounding actor Jussie Smollett, who told Chicago police he'd been attacked by two homophobic, racist, MAGA-proclaiming heathens, and he wanted Juss-tice. But as the investigation progressed, his truth slipped further and further away. Wait, this is sounding like an episode of Black Mirror...

You're about to report a brutal assault to Chicago authorities. You sure you want to go through with this?



Duh, this was a hate crime! (Proceed to Panel 2)

Whoops! Never mind, guys. (Proceed to Panel 3)

Some are starting to doubt your claim, and you're invited to set the record straight on **Good Morning** America. Do you take the offer?

> Really, this was a hate crime! Plus, it's national TV! (Proceed to Panel 4)

Oh wow, this is kind of becoming a big deal. Nah, I'm good! (Proceed to Panel 5)

Congratulations, you still have a role on a network TV show!

You're released on

bail, but authorities

submit a proffer to

the court detailing

how you coordinated

the attack, supported

by copious evidence.

WRITER GRANT REED ARTIST B.C. BRUCE



Your interview airs, and two suspects are apprehended. But...uh-oh, these attackers are actually men who worked on Empire and claim you orchestrated the attack. You're charged with filing a false police report. Do you surrender?

I mean, I guess I'll go, but this is insane. I may play a Lyon, but I ain't lyin'! (Proceed to Panel 6)

Well, damn. (Proceed to Panel 5)

You've decided the truth, whatever that may be, will set you free. And hey, maybe you'll still get to be on the TV show!

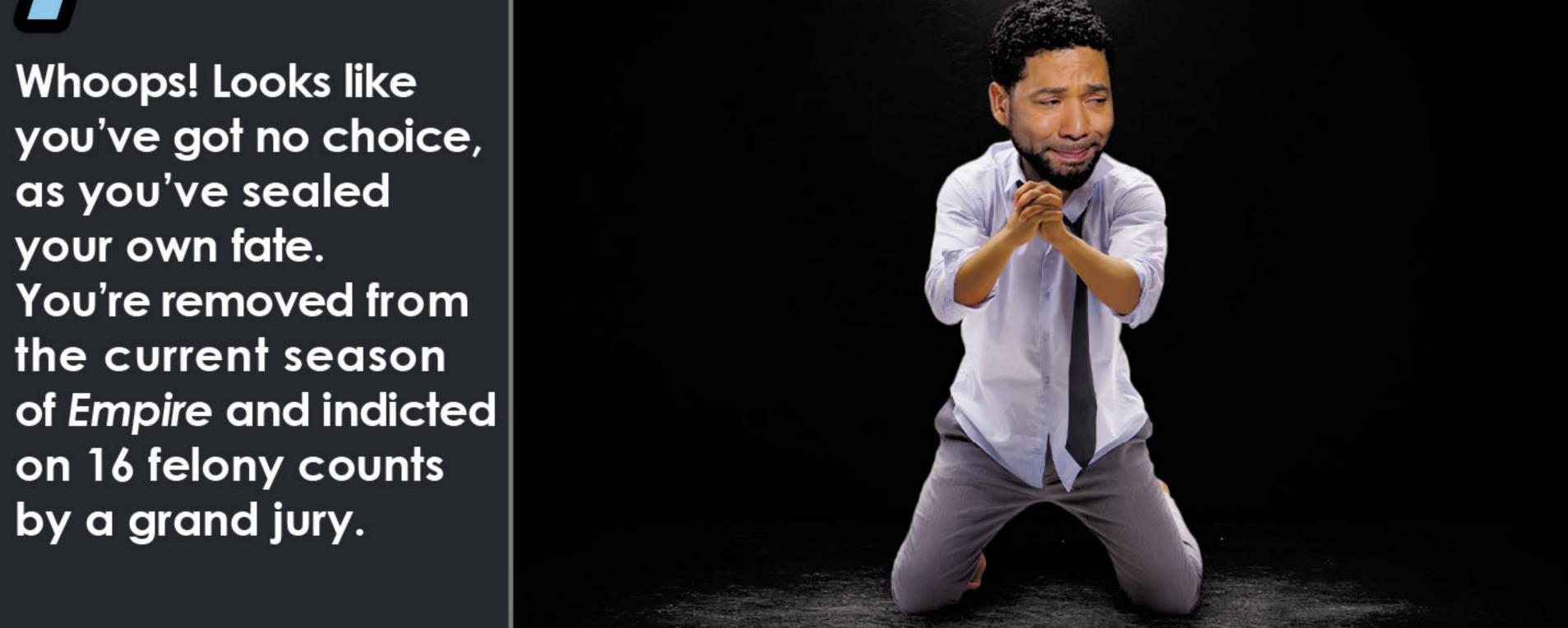


This is bullshit! (Proceed to Panel 7)

How do you respond?

This is bullshit! (Proceed to Panel 7)

Whoops! Looks like you've got no choice, as you've sealed your own fate. You're removed from the current season of Empire and indicted on 16 felony counts



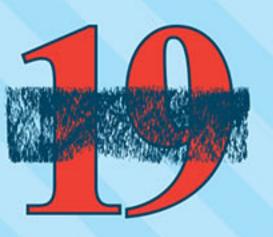
But I'm innocennnnt!! (Proceed to Panel 8) Guys, there's something I should tell you... (Proceed to Panel 9)

O-M-G. Prosecutors miraculously drop all charges against you! Chicago authorities aren't happy about it, and Lee Daniels says you can't return to Empire but hey, you're free!



You idiot! Even after the case was closed, you just had to keep running your mouth.





DEMS A LOT OF CANDIDATES! ADVENT-AGEOUS GIFTS FROM PRESIDENTIAL CONTENDERS

This year the Democratic party gave us an absurd number of presidential hopefuls (27!). While some dropped faster than Trump's approval rating, other candidates continue to battle it out. But in the spirit of the holiday season, these competitors are banding together to offer up the gifts they feel America needs most. Count down to being closer to 2020 (and the primary) with this special...



Bernie Sanders
Throwback Thursday! Remember when the Sandman was the radical, cool Democratic outlier just a couple years ago? He sure hopes you do!

Elizabeth Warren
These DNA kits don't test for tribal membership,
but did you know they can reveal a gluten allergy?

GETS MAD!

Pete Buttigieg

Hard to believe just mere months ago he was saying,
"Alfred E. Who, Man?" because now he's a fan!

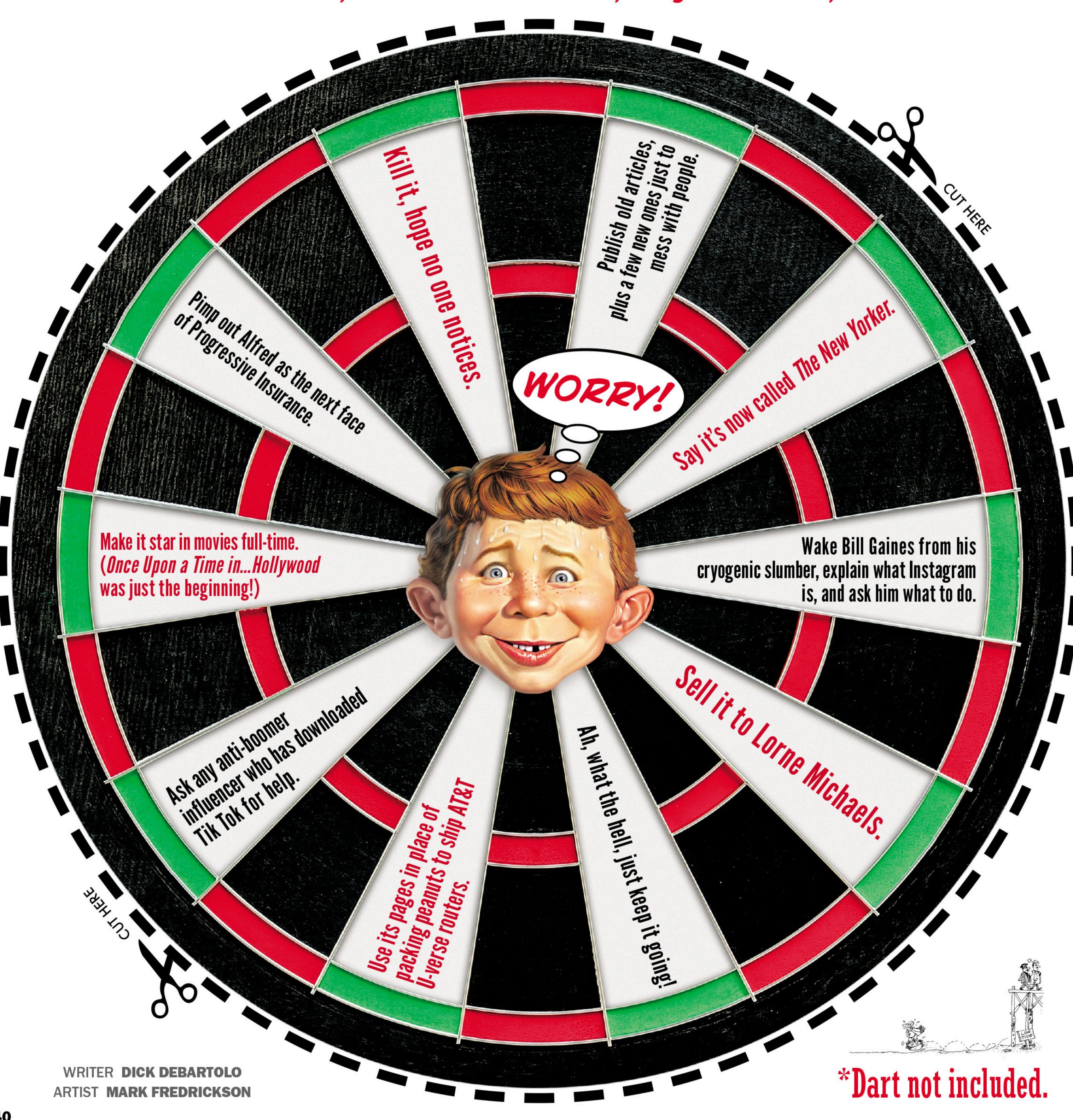


A MAD "ENDING" TARGET OF SPECULATION

Over July Fourth, a lot of smoke was blown MAD's way (and we don't mean from fireworks): Many news sources reported that, after several decades, MAD as everyone knew it was ending. Fans and celebs who'd been influenced by the mag posted their indignation. We could hardly believe the outcry over no longer being able to buy something they'd stopped buying years ago! Meanwhile, no official word about MAD's demise ever came from our corporate owners, and we've released three new issues since. So is MAD cancelled or not? Here's a fun way to find out (and when you do, can you tell us?)...

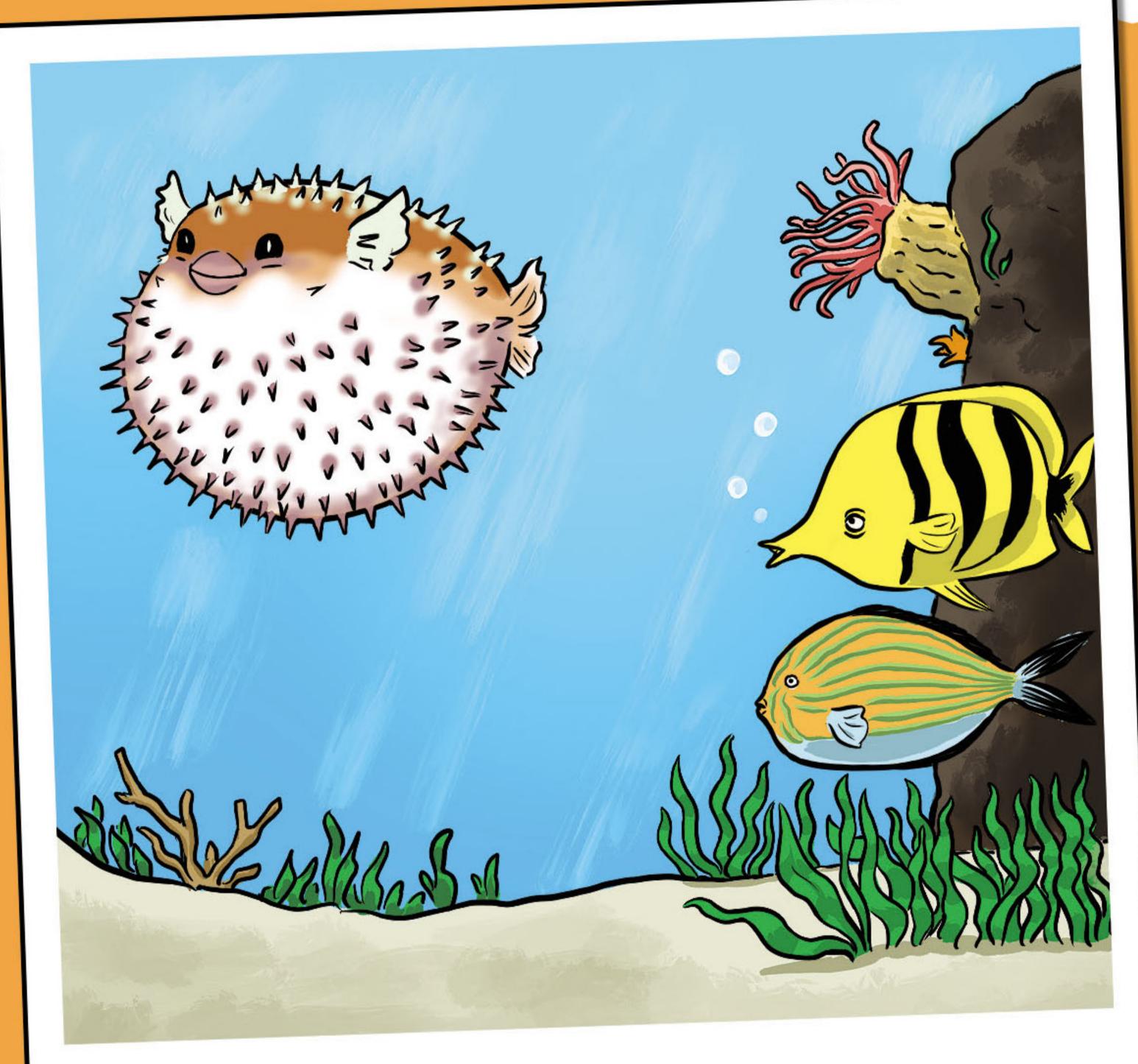
WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH MAD?

To determine MAD's future, cut out this dartboard, hang it on a wall, and throw a dart*!





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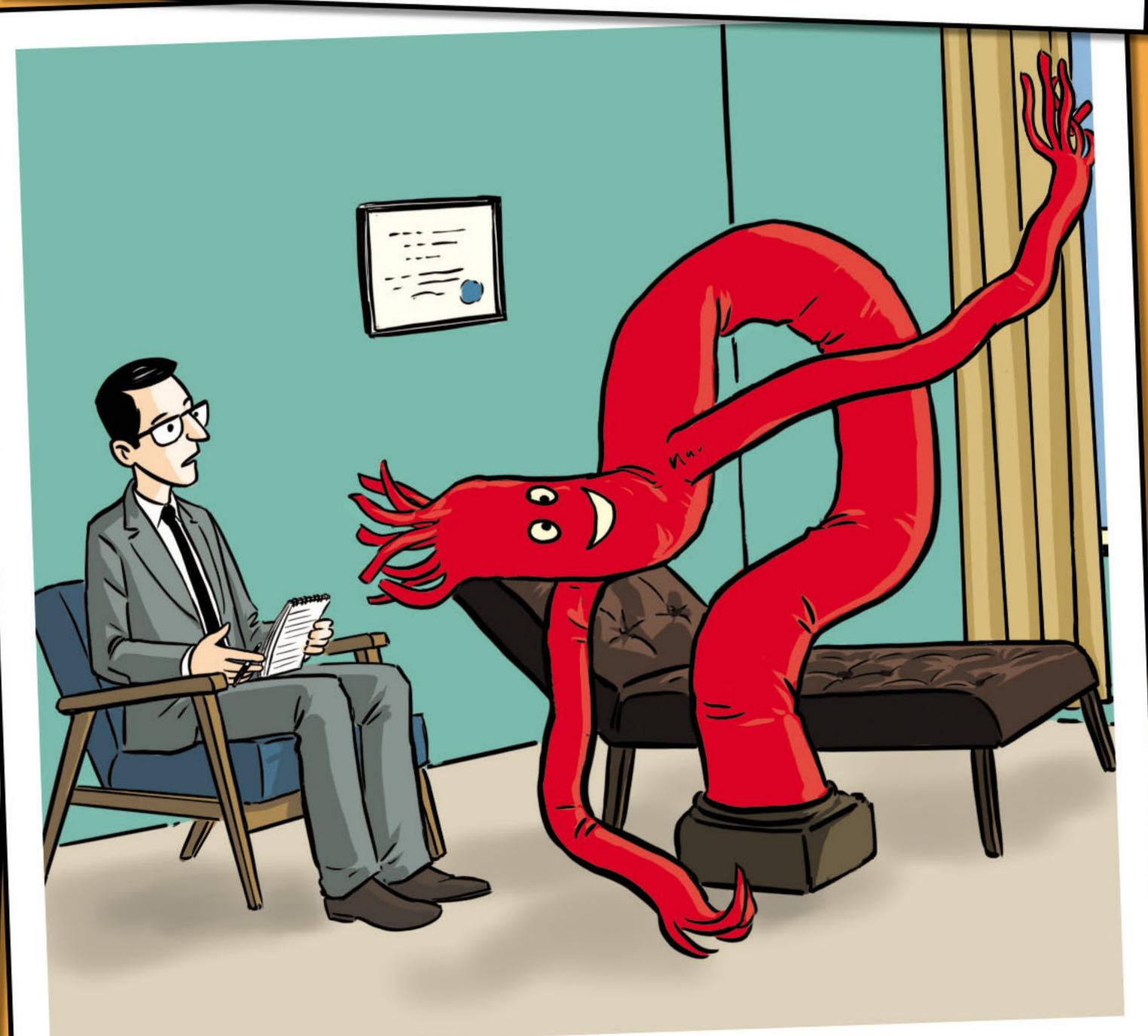
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"WOULD YOU LIKE TO EXPLAIN THESE ROAMING CHARGES?"



"IT'S ANOTHER TRAGEDY, MISTER PRESIDENT. HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE?"



"AND HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HAVING THESE MOOD SWINGS?"



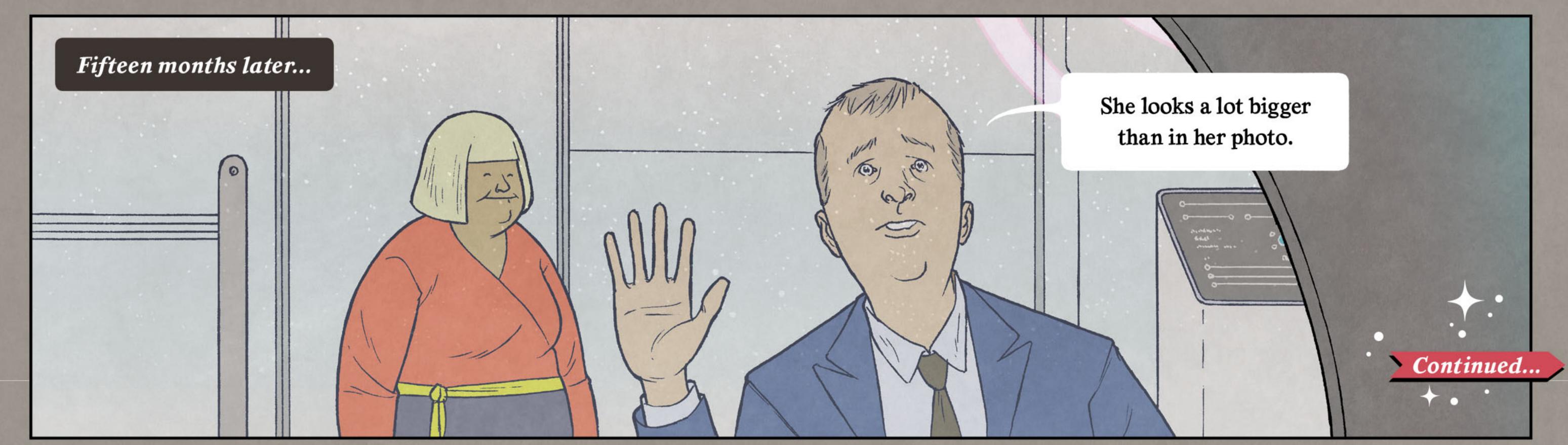
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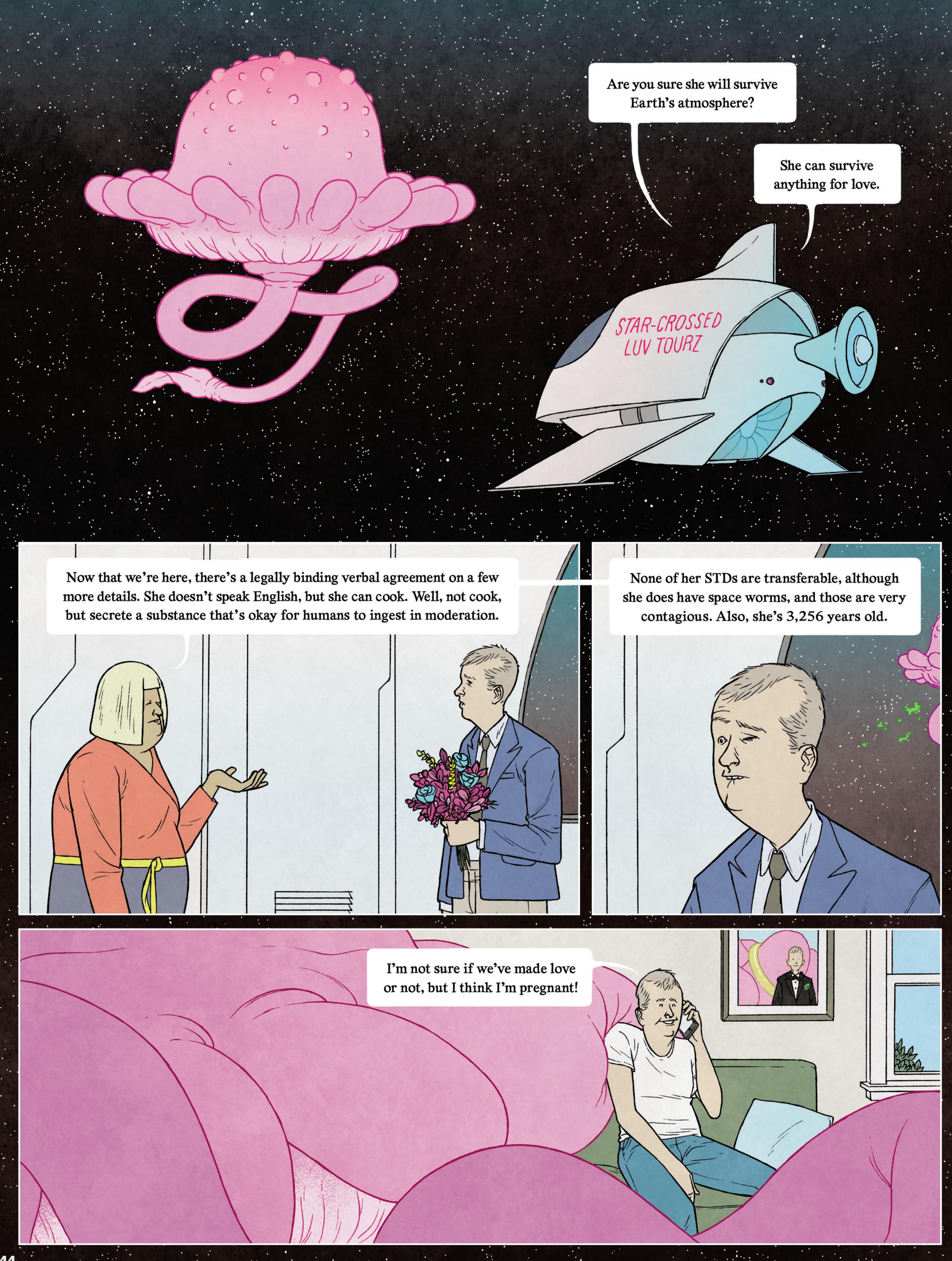


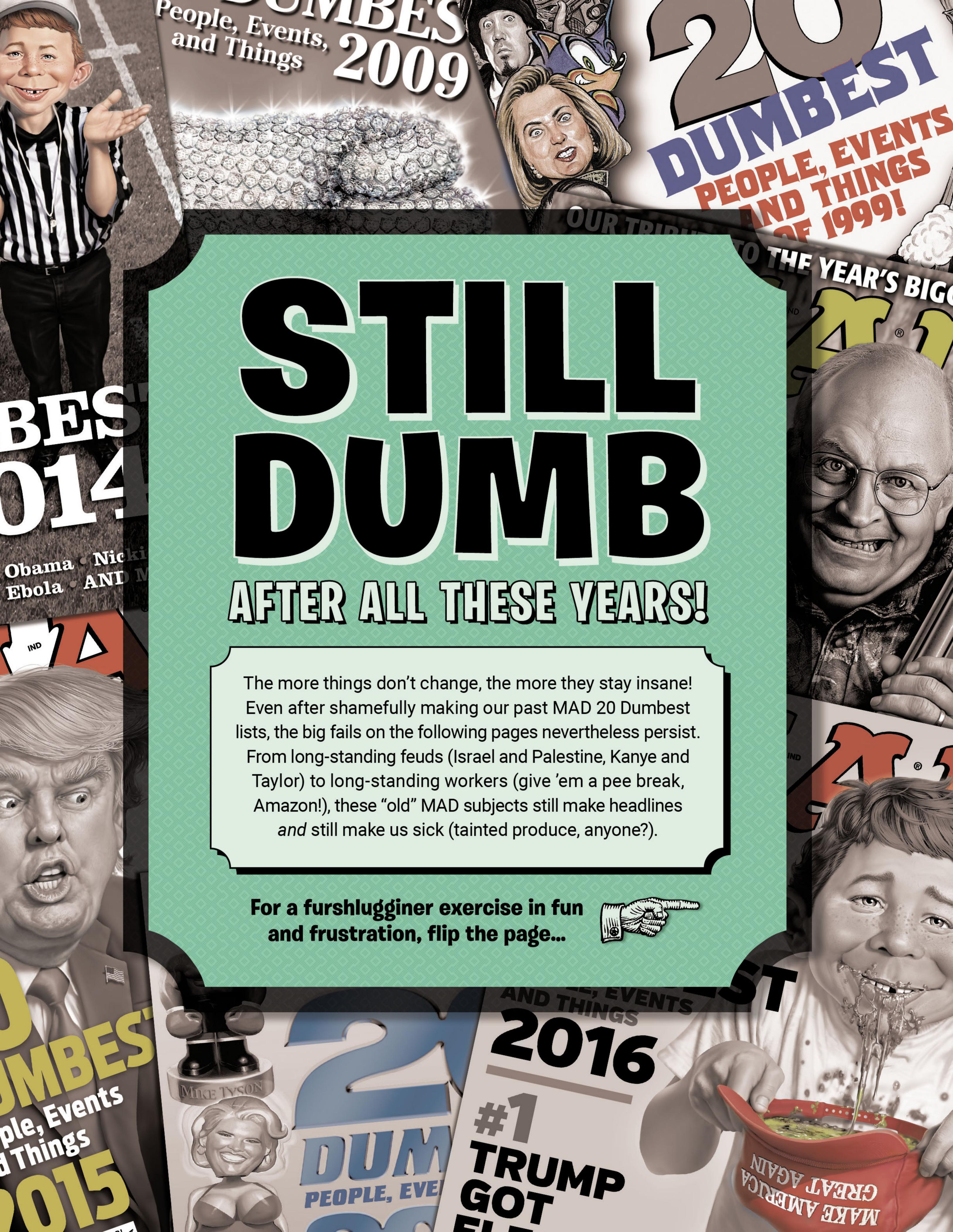
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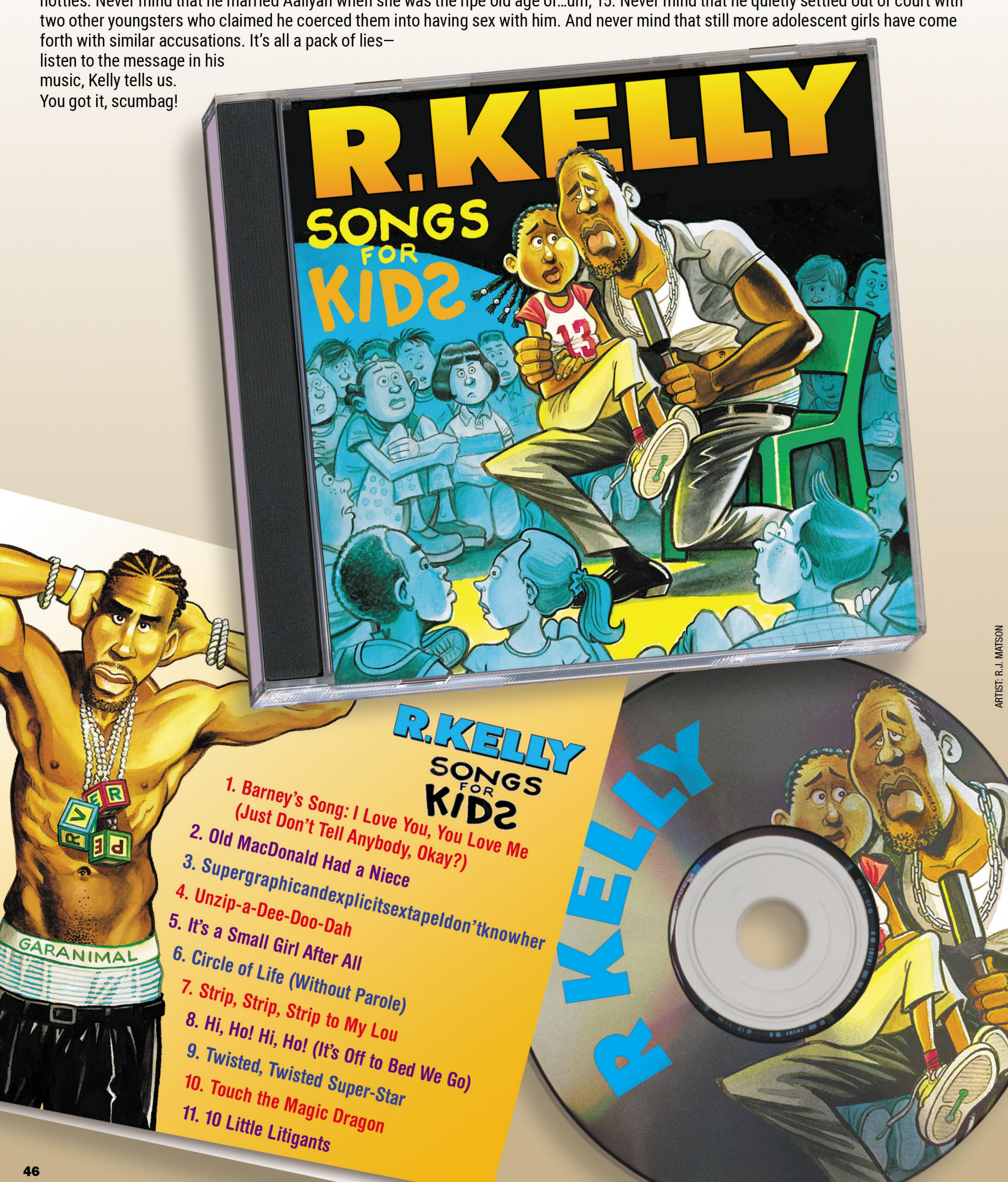






R. KELLY I BELIEVE I CAN LIE • MAD #425, 17 YEARS AGO

The art of the celebrity denial in the face of mounting criminal evidence was elevated to creepy new heights this year by R. Kelly. The R+B star insisted the videotape showing him doing the "bump n' grind" with a 14-year-old was a fake and that he had no interest in underaged hotties. Never mind that he married Aaliyah when she was the ripe old age of...um, 15. Never mind that he quietly settled out of court with two other youngsters who claimed he coerced them into having sex with him. And never mind that still more adolescent girls have come



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH SEX ABUSE COVER-UP

THE SINS OF OUR FATHERS • MAD #425, 17 YEARS AGO

For years, the Catholic Church has been warning us about the societal dangers to our nation's youth. Who knew that the biggest danger to kids came from their own perverted priests, who were more interested in the body of altar boy Timmy than the body of Christ! The sickeningly smug bishops and cardinals, such as Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law, made the disastrous situation even more disastrous with their loathsome policy of "deny, deny," while quietly shipping the horny "holy men" from unsuspecting parish to unsuspecting parish. Warning to all altar boys: next time a priest advises you to "turn the other cheek," run.



TAINTED SPINACH IT AIN'T EASY BEING GREEN - MAD #473, 13 YEARS AGO

After Swiss chard, kale, collards, escarole, arugula, watercress, chicory, dandelion and bok choy, spinach is by far our favorite leafy green. So we were extremely upset when a nationwide E.coli outbreak linked to the vegetable actually killed someone and hospitalized about 100 others. The problem was traced to a California company called Natural Selection Foods. (E. coli is "natural," right?), which quickly pledged to cooperate with the FDA to identify the source of the problem—irrigation water contaminated with livestock feces (also "natural"). The big problem now is what to do with all that tainted spinach, so look for a special promotion in your local newspaper soon.





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EBOLA HYSTERIA QUARANTINE-AGE ANGST • MAD #531, 5 YEARS AGO

When the first case of Ebola was reported in the news, it didn't take long before it was rampant, destructive and completely unavoidable. Not the disease — the news coverage. Fortunately, as of this printing, only four Americans have been diagnosed with Ebola. Unfortunately, there were even fewer people who reacted rationally to it or explained it correctly. Worse, The Centers for Disease Control was unprepared and the White House was slow to react. As a result, the public was both very prepared and very ready — to completely freak out.

ARE YOU SUFFERING FROM EBOLA SYMPTOMS?

SEVERE HEADACHE

listening to hyped-up, non-stop, breathless cable news coverage



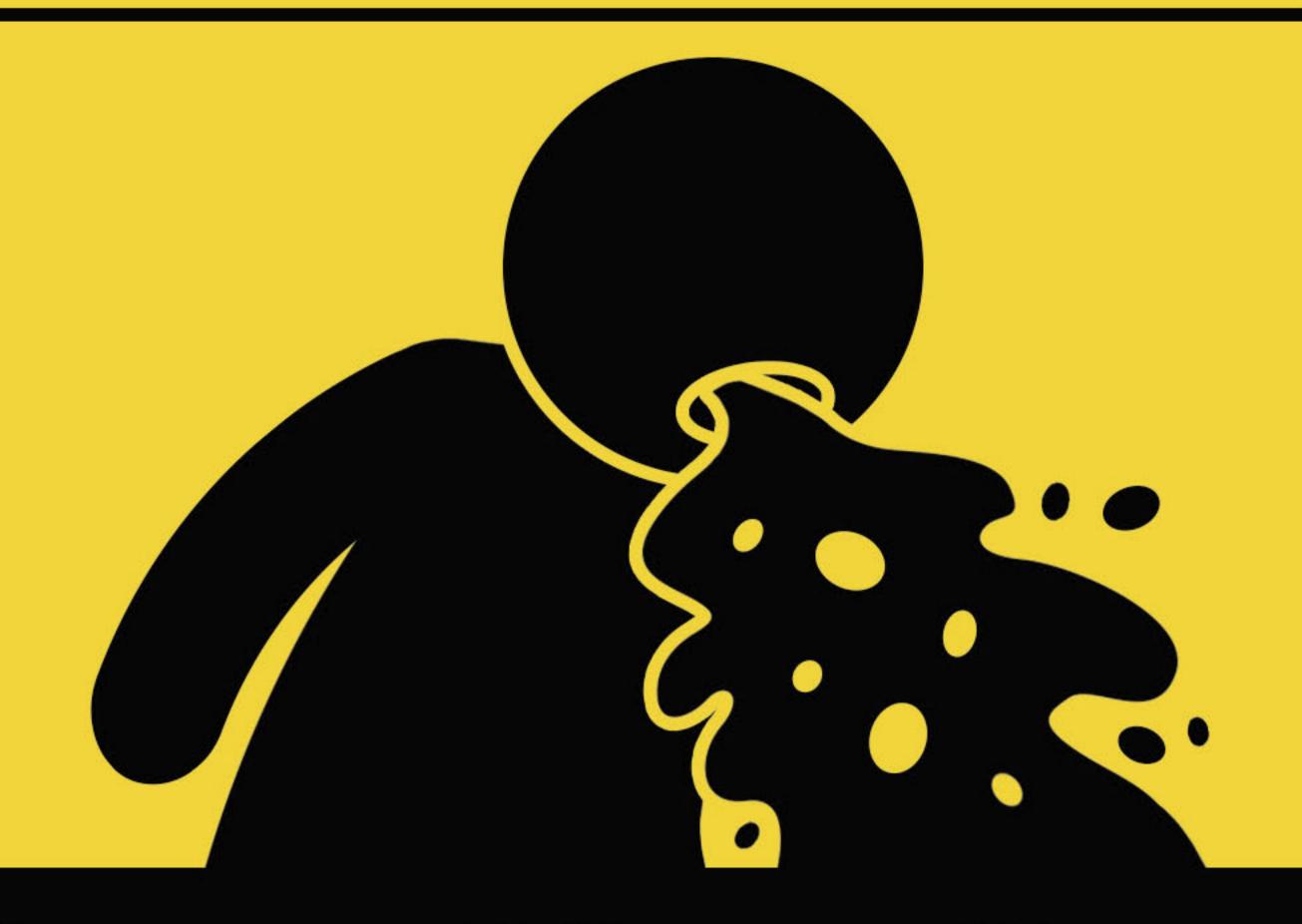
CHEST PAINS

upon hearing the CDC's confusing responses of how they're "on top of it" and preventing the virus from spreading



VOMITING

watching right-wing candidates fear-mongering the disease for political gains

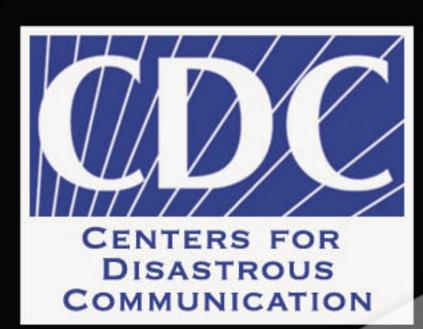


BLEEDING

from banging your head against the wall out of frustration with all the uninformed, misleading "experts"

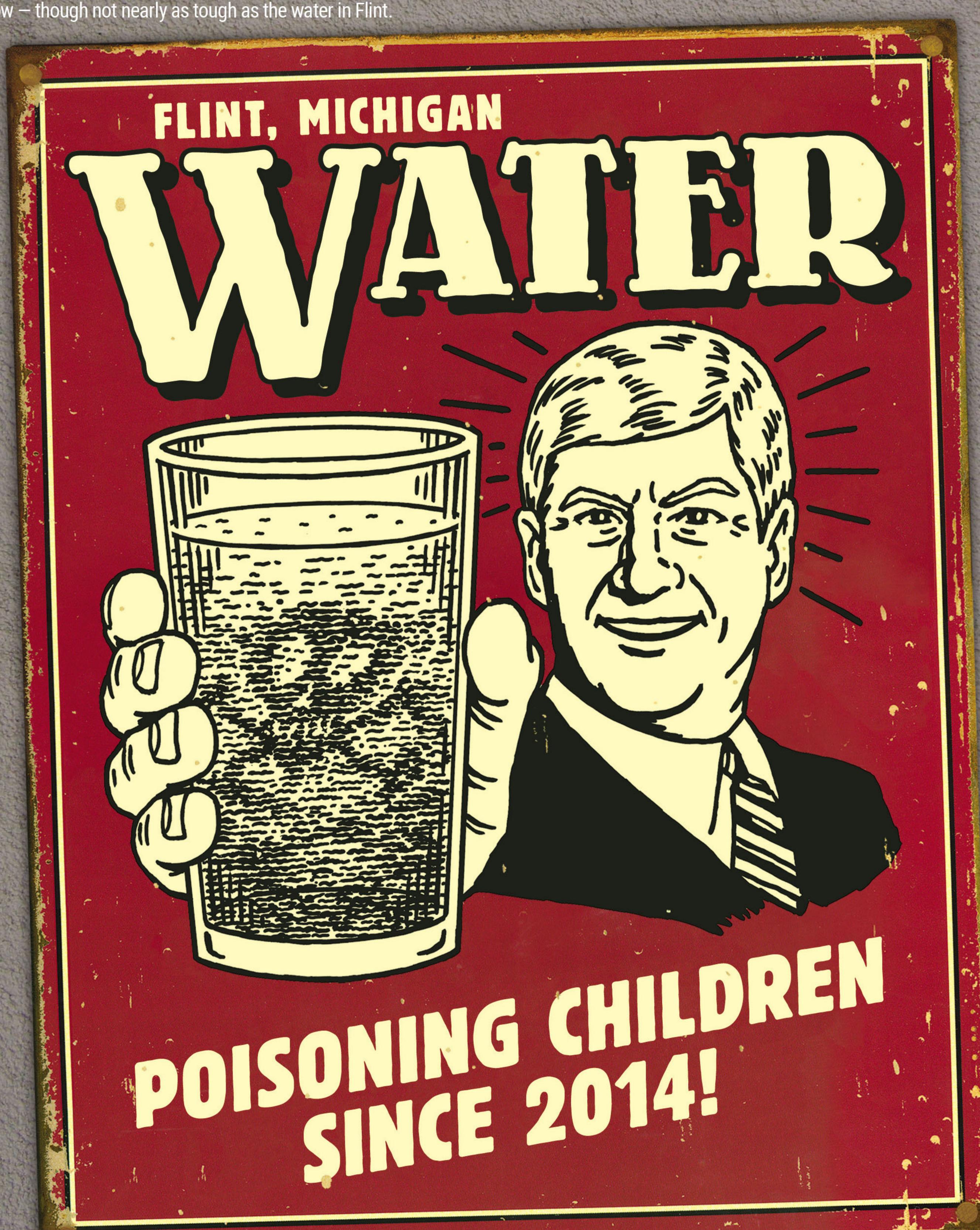


If you are exhibiting any of these symptoms, it's highly probable that you don't have Ebola. For immediate relief: turn off your TV, unplug your internet connection and stop reading the newspaper!



FLINT, MICHIGAN'S TOXIC WATER THE FAUCET'S WRONG WITH THIS ONE • MAD #543, 3 YEARS AGO

When it comes to clueless, incompetent and callously indifferent politicians, Governor Rick Snyder of Michigan truly sank to new lows this year. Unfortunately, the lows he sank to weren't at the bottom of a contaminated body of water in Flint. Back in 2014, one of Snyder's lackeys switched Flint's water supply from the Detroit system to the Flint River in order to save a few bucks. When residents complained of toxic brown sludge flowing from corroded faucets, Snyder did nothing while his constituents suffered hair loss, rashes, E. coli infections and Legionnaires' disease. Hell, the GM plant in Flint even stopped using the water because it was corroding car parts! Officials begged Snyder to help fix the problem, but it took him eight months to even visit Flint and a full year to declare a state of emergency. It's a tough story to swallow — though not nearly as tough as the water in Flint.

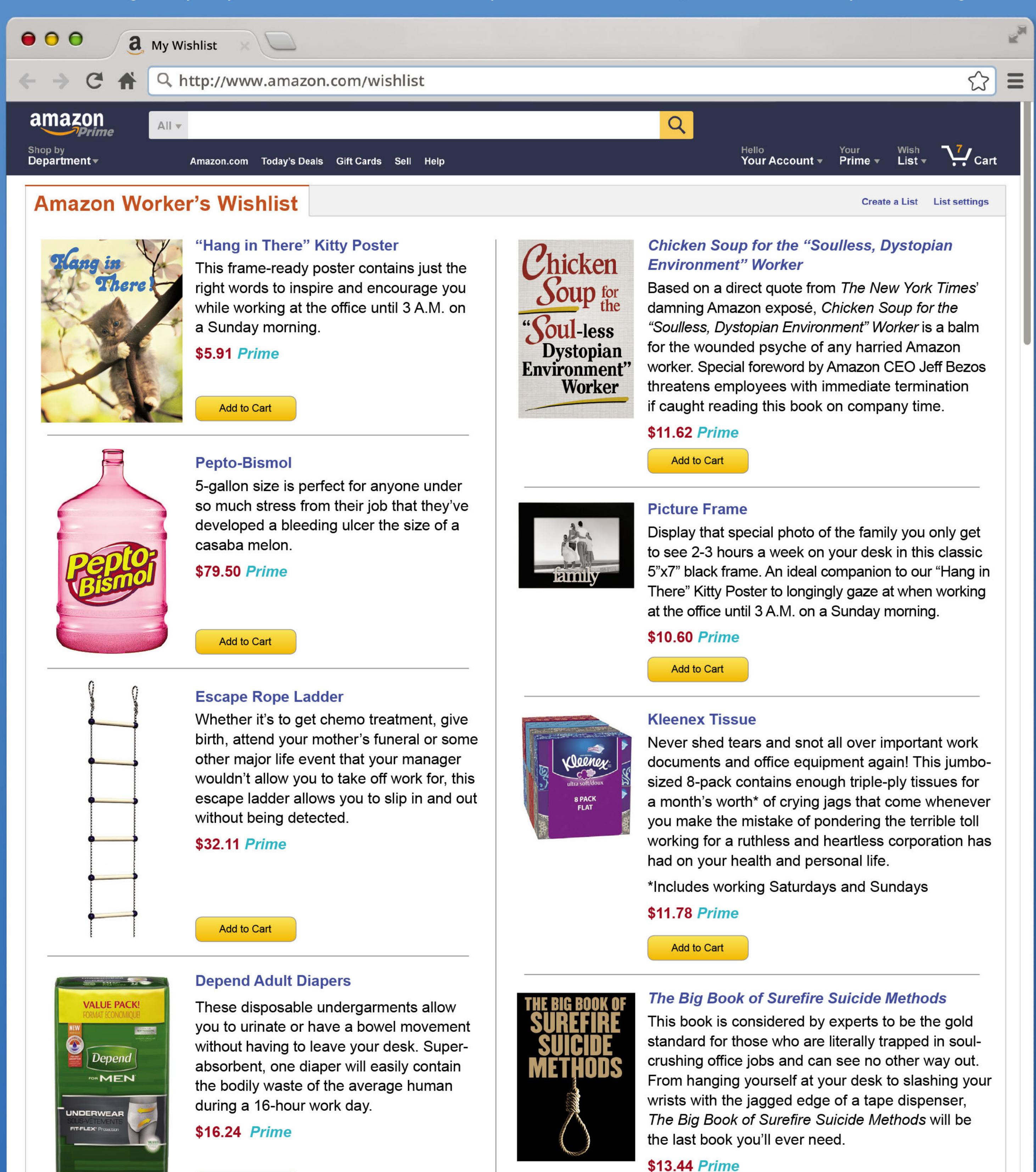


AMAZON'S HORRIFIC WORKING CONDITIONS

PRIME AND PUNISHMENT • MAD #537, 4 YEARS AGO

Add to Cart

Amazon is known for having the lowest prices and the fastest shipping of any retailer — but they're also responsible for driving countless independently-owned shops out of business over the years. It shouldn't be too shocking that such a cruelly-efficient organization would be so... cruel. But that was the gist of an August *New York Times* exposé, which described Amazon as a harsh, merciless workplace, where overtaxed employees cry at their desks and burn out quickly. On the one hand, it's a terrible and unforgivable work environment. But, on the other hand, if it means we can get Laffy Taffy delivered to our door at the lowest prices the market will bear, we'll look the other way for a little longer!



Currently Out of Stock. More on the Way!

KANYE WEST TALK IS CREEP • MAD #502, 10 YEARS AGO

We're not Taylor Swift fans — but if we were at the VMAs, we would have clapped politely during her acceptance speech. If we were jerks, we would have booed or twittered something mean while she spoke. That's what separates us from a visionary like Kanye West. Who else would think to rip the mic right out of Swift's hands and tell the world who HE knew should have won? West's most ground-breaking achievements haven't been in music—they've been in the fine art of douche-baggery. So here's a statue just for Kanye — and we promise, no one will interrupt his acceptance speech — because NO ONE deserves it more than him!



THE ISRAEL/PALESTINE CONFLICT TWO WRONGS MAKE A FIGHT • 71 YEARS AGO (... BUT WE CALLED IT DUMB IN MAD #425, 17 YEARS AGO)

Like a real-life version of our own Spy Vs. Spy gone horribly awry, the leaders of Israel and Palestine seem forever engaged in an incredibly deadly game of one-upmanship. Every so often a cease-fire is agreed upon, and occasionally it lasts as long as the average Oscar telecast. Then the violence resumes, with Sharon blaming Arafat, and Arafat blaming Sharon. So who could blame the rest of the world for growing weary of this Unending Series of Unfortunate Events — more unfortunate than any event Lemony Snicket himself could ever dream up?



THE DONALD TRUMP RUN FOR THE PRESIDENCY

A CANDIDATE THAT WILL LIVE IN INFAMY • MAD #543, 3 YEARS AGO

After eight years of the Obama Administration, everyone knew that 2016 would be a pivotal year, filled with discussion about how the next President might change things. And Donald Trump HAS changed things. He changed political debates into name-calling schoolyard brawls. He pioneered the fact-free campaign. He managed to combine the ideas of the crazy-homeless-guy-shouting-at-the-bus-station with the measured, nuanced delivery of the crazy-uncle-ranting-at-the-Thanksgiving-table. His shocking victory was a nauseating validation of his soul-crushingly noxious campaign — and whether you thought he was a monster or a hero, he couldn't be ignored, and, unfortunately, won't soon be forgotten.

Donald Trump was an obnoxiously rich reality-TV jackass until he became...



THE UNCHECKED EGO OF A SOCIOPATH IN ASSOCIATION WITH A DECADE OF THE GOP PANDERING TO ITS WORST FACTIONS PRESENTS THE TOXIC CONTENDER STARRING MISOGYNY, XENOPHOBIA, RACISM AND FEAR-MONGERING AS "THE HORRIFYING PERSONALITY DISORDER"



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RANDOM ACTS OF SENSELESS VIOLENCE MAD #389, 20 YEARS AGO

Question: How many times in 1999 did some wacko go nuts, pick up a gun and start shooting innocent people? Sadly, we've lost count. Reports of senseless violence have become as commonplace in the news as stories about the guy who won millions in the lottery and then went bankrupt a year later. And as long as the NRA has Congress in its pocket, nut jobs will have easy access to guns and the body count will rise. Just watch. And while you're at it, keep an eye out for...





Understaffed and Overworked

We do our best to bring you the worst, but sometimes we worst our own best. Because of that, we have a few credit corrections for MAD #10.

Karen Simmons co-wrote "First Comedian on Mars" with Eddie Pepitone. Scott Dooley wrote "I Do Declare" in Shorts & Briefs.

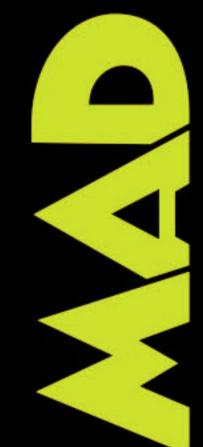
Kyle Bridgett's credit for "Humour While You Wait: Monkey's Paw" fell into the void and we've now retrieved it.

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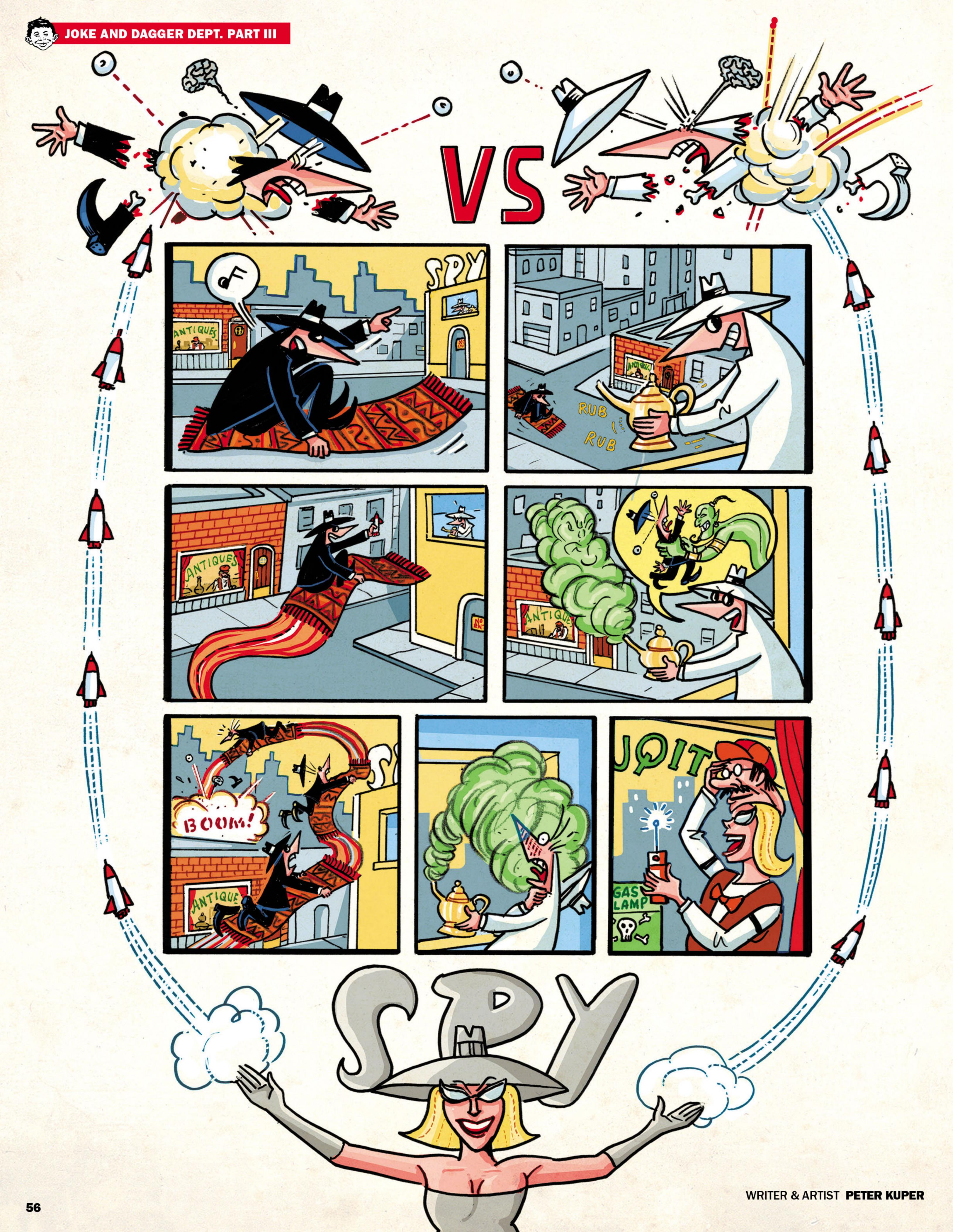
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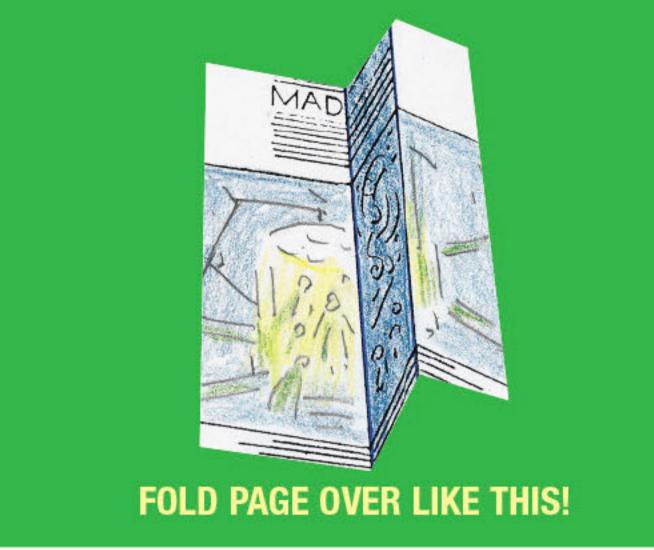
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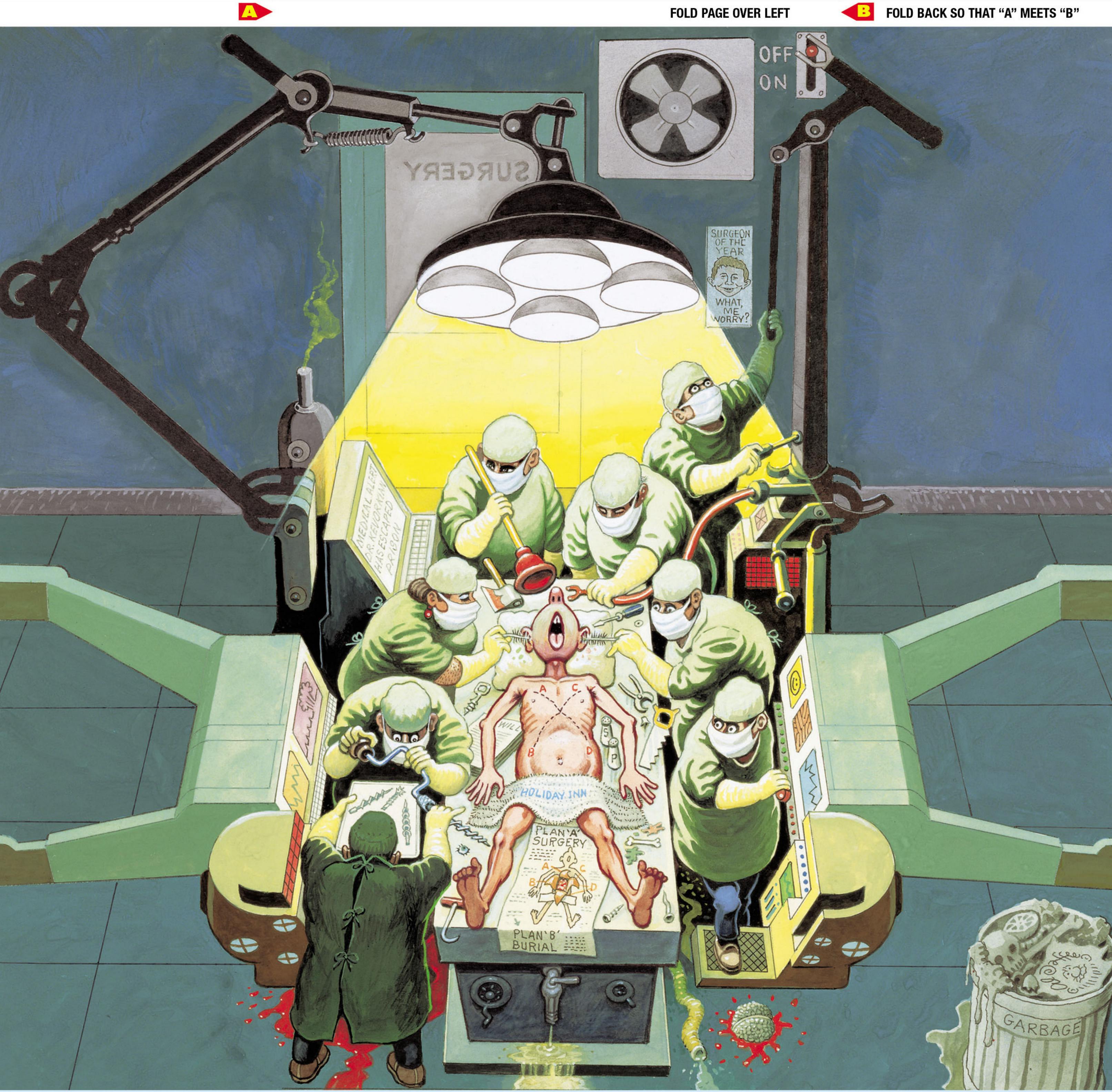
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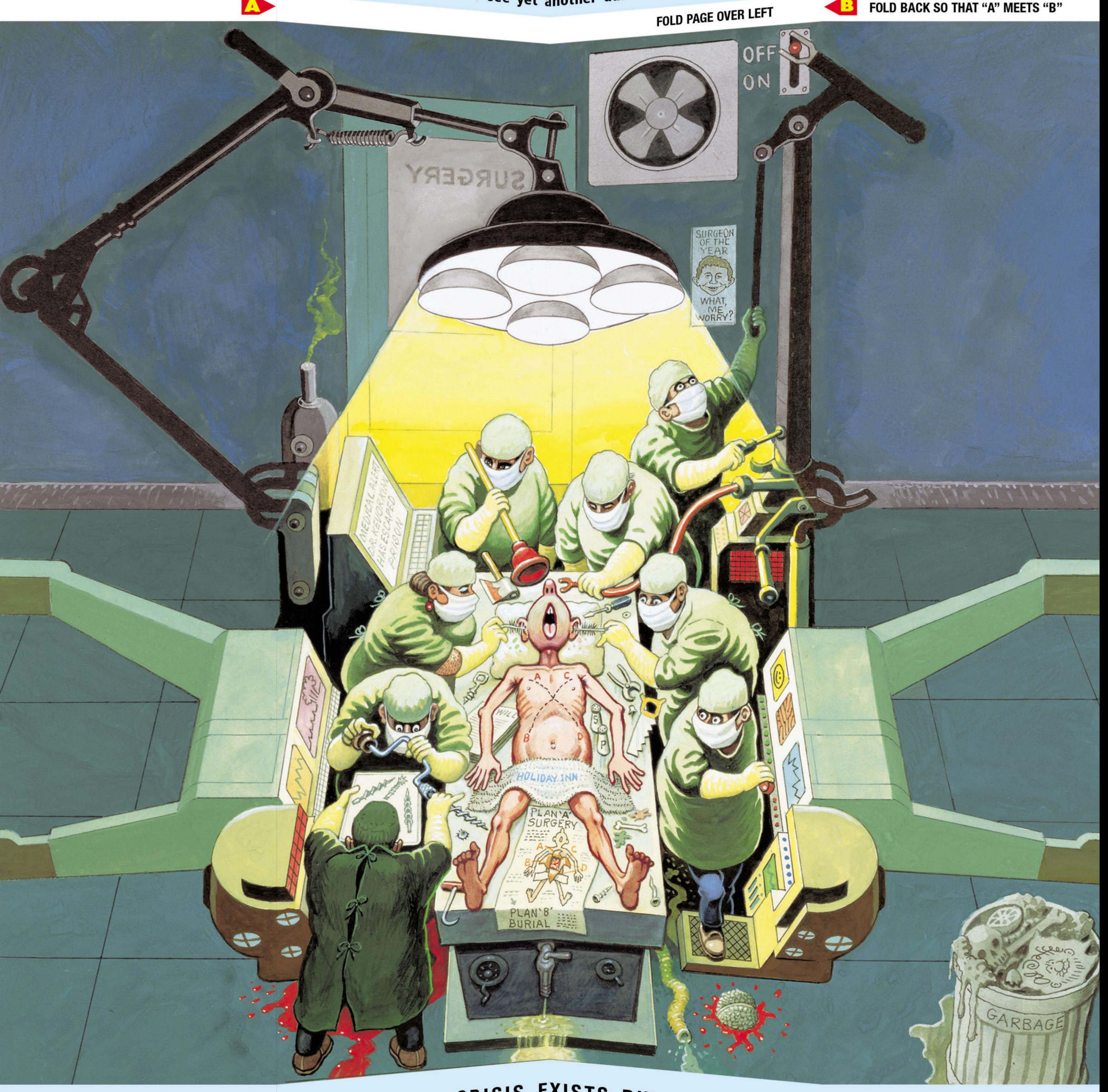


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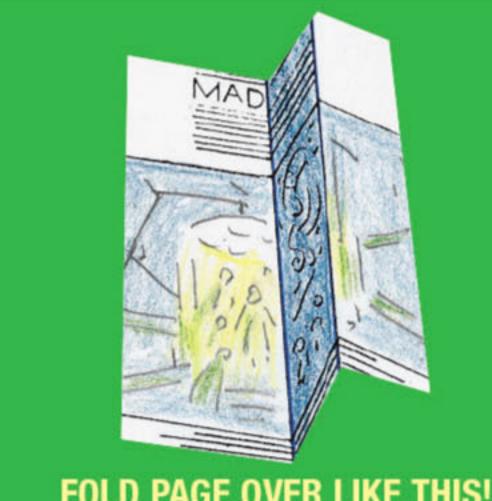
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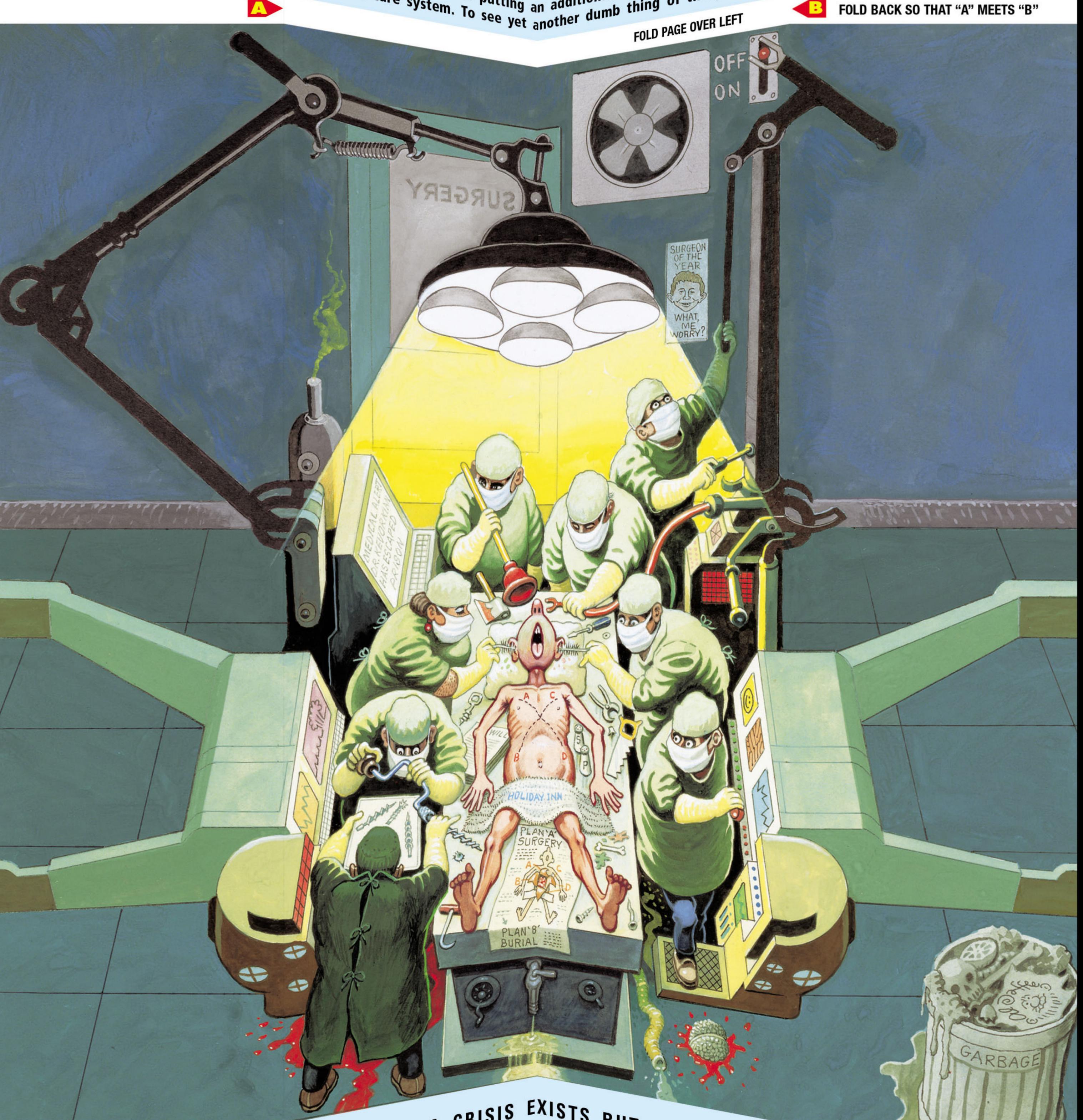


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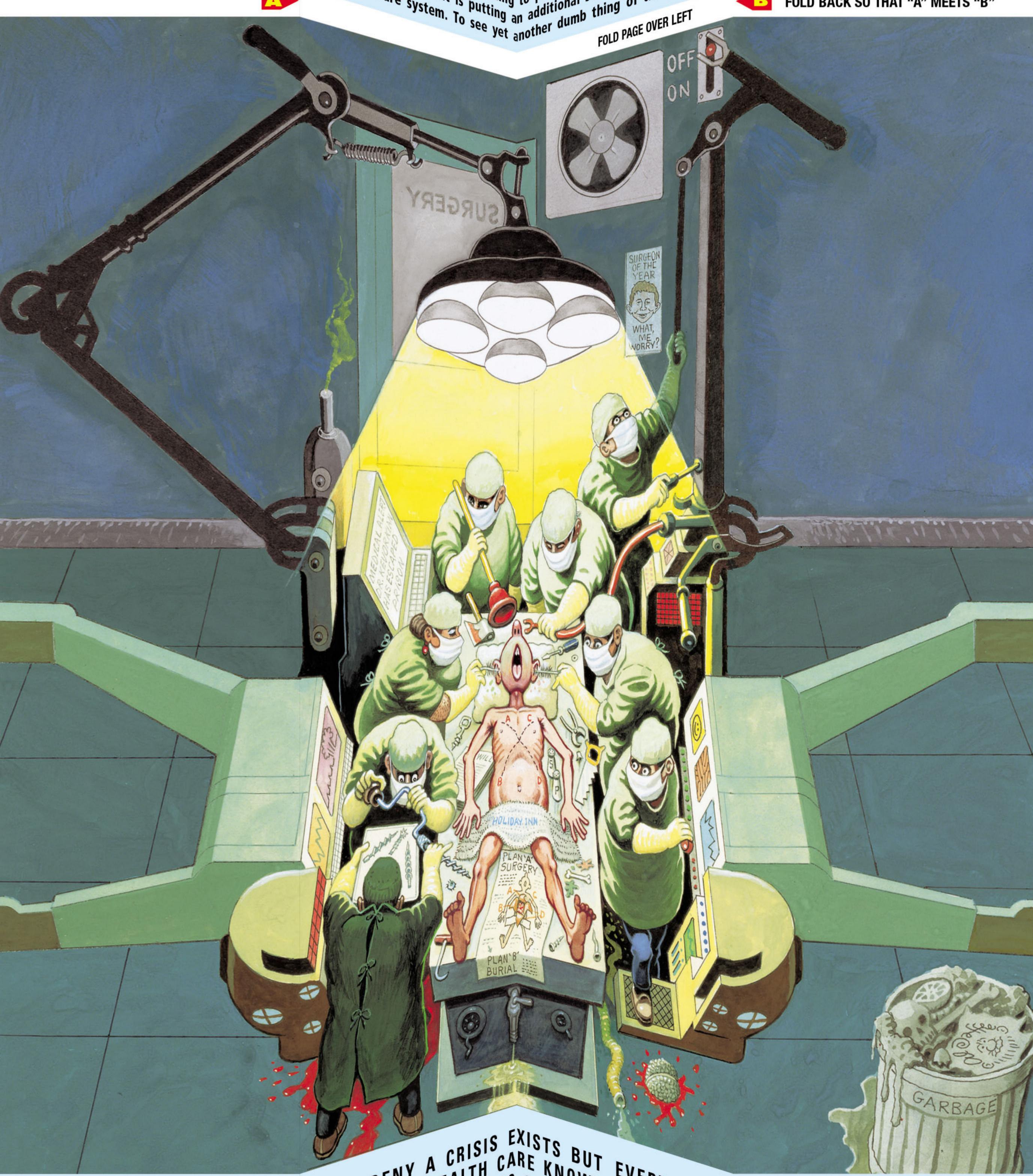


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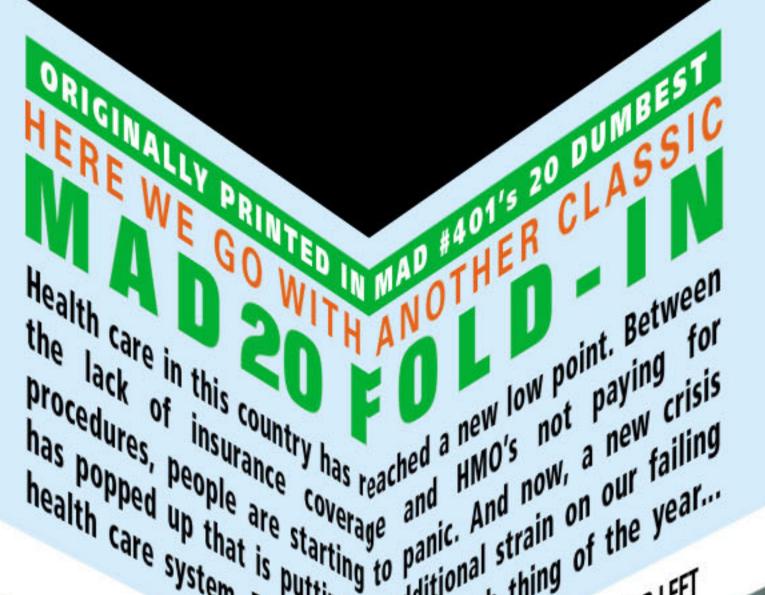
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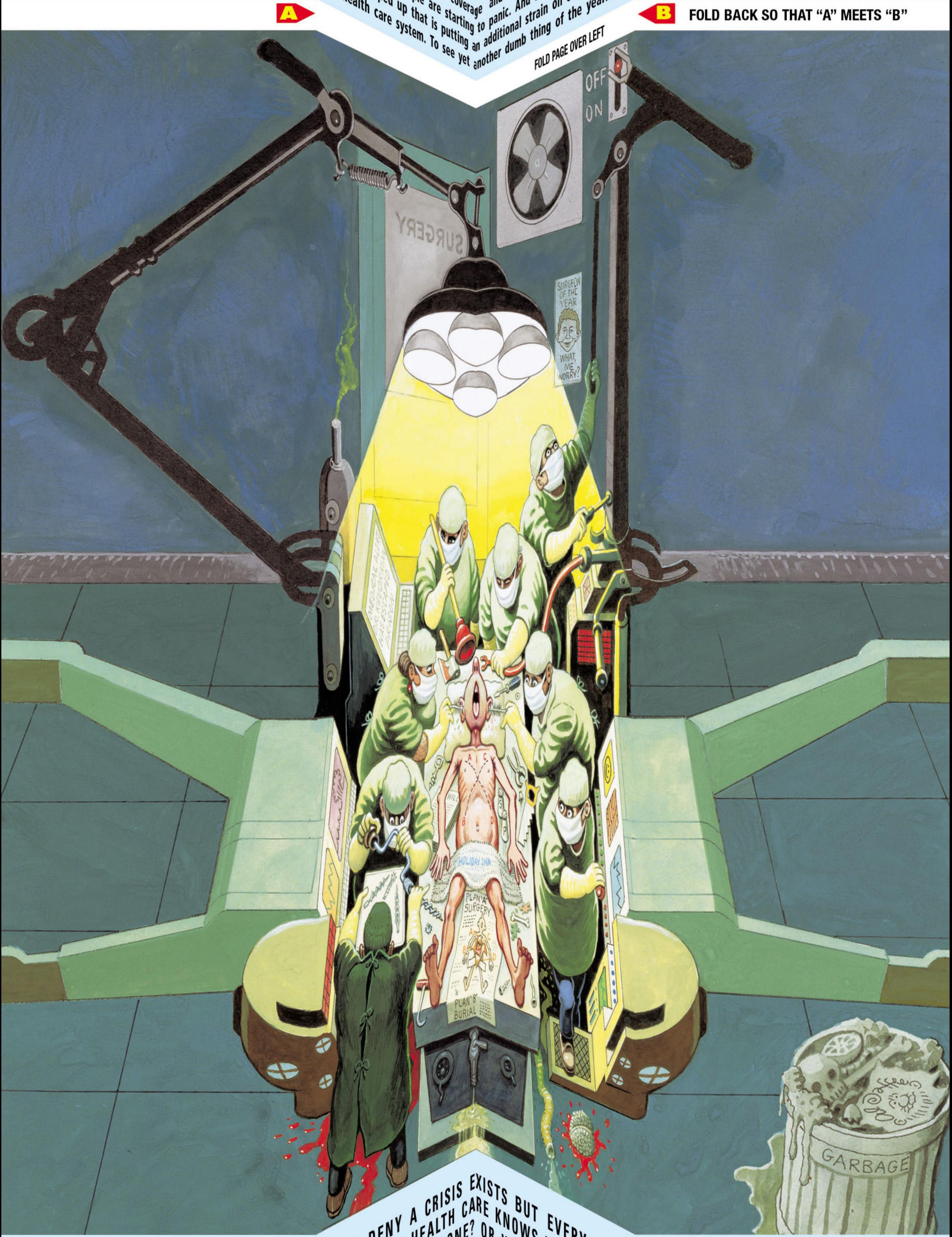
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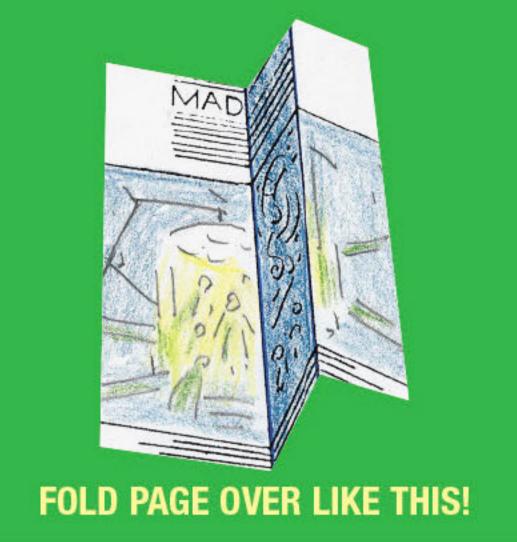
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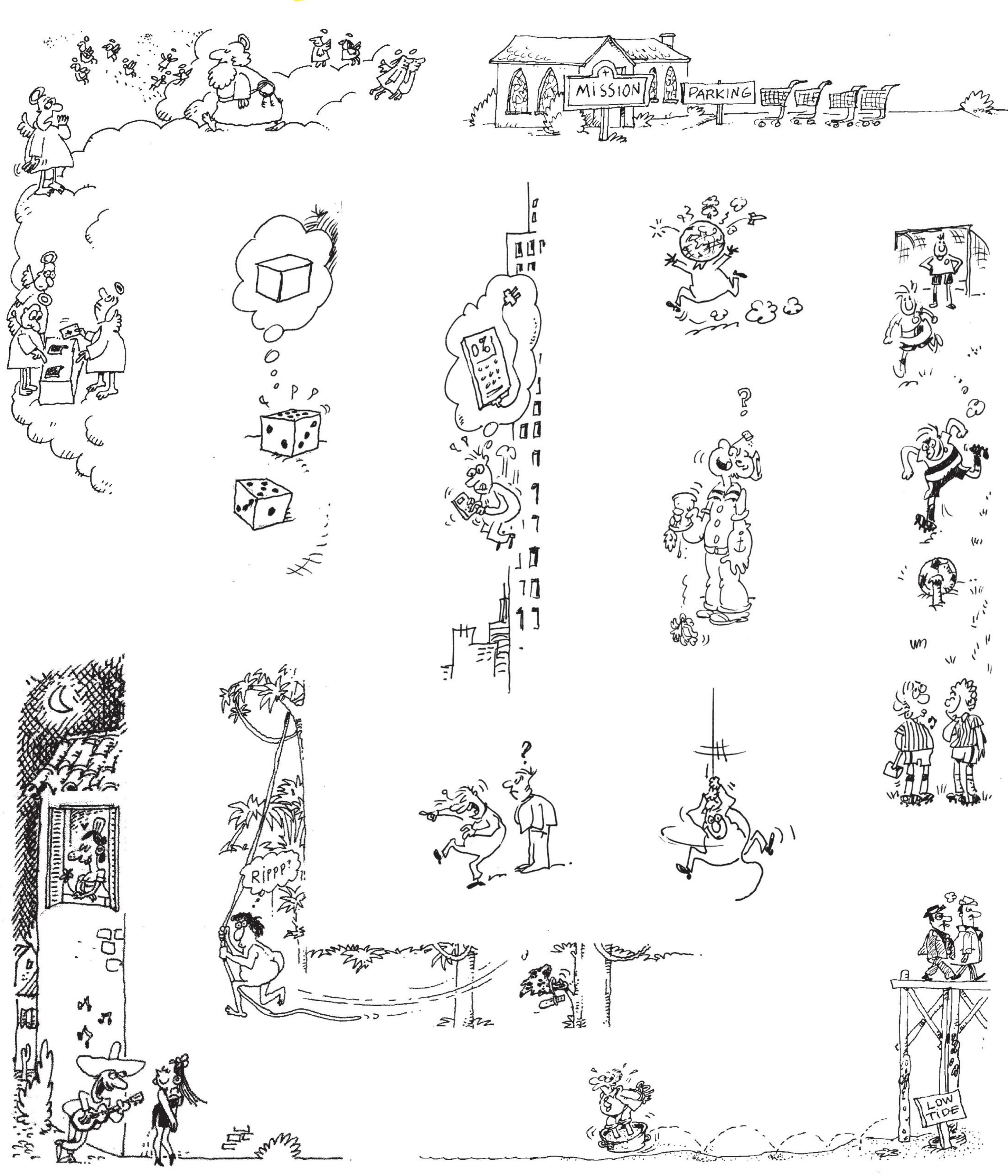
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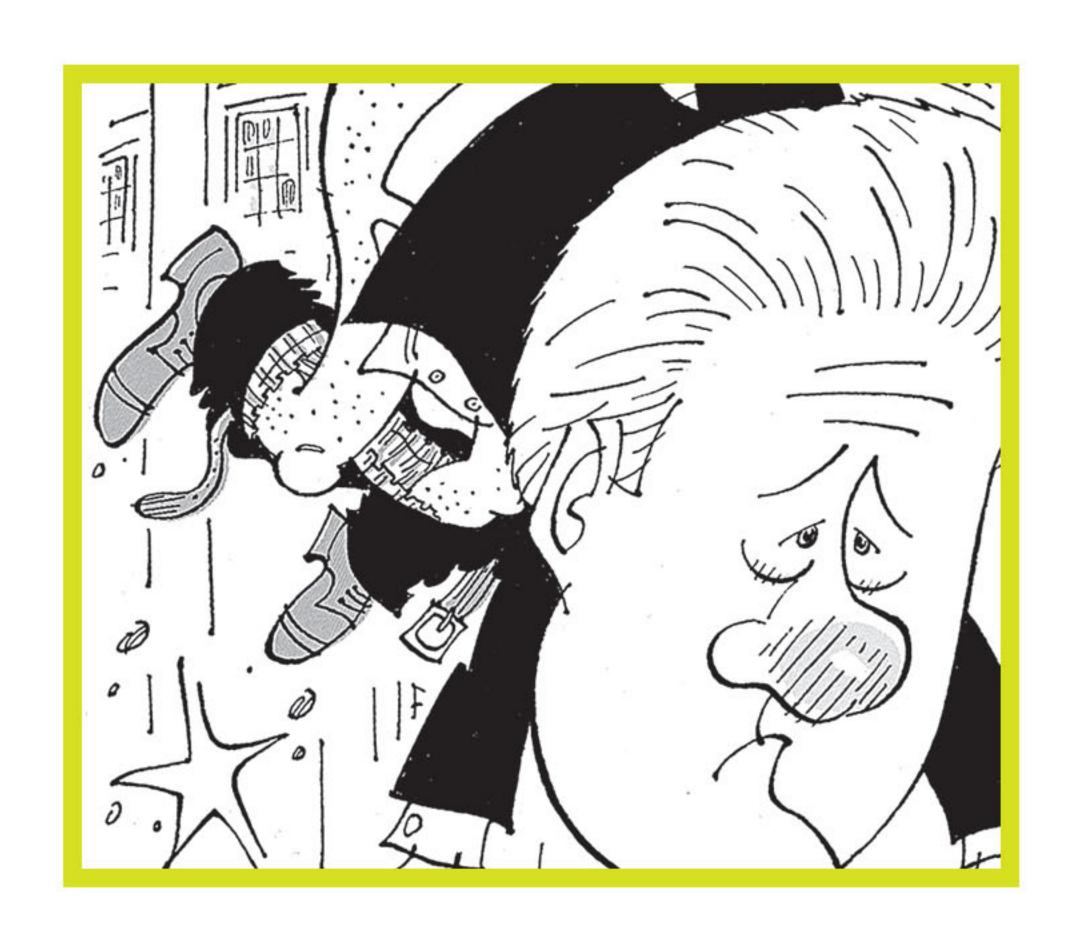
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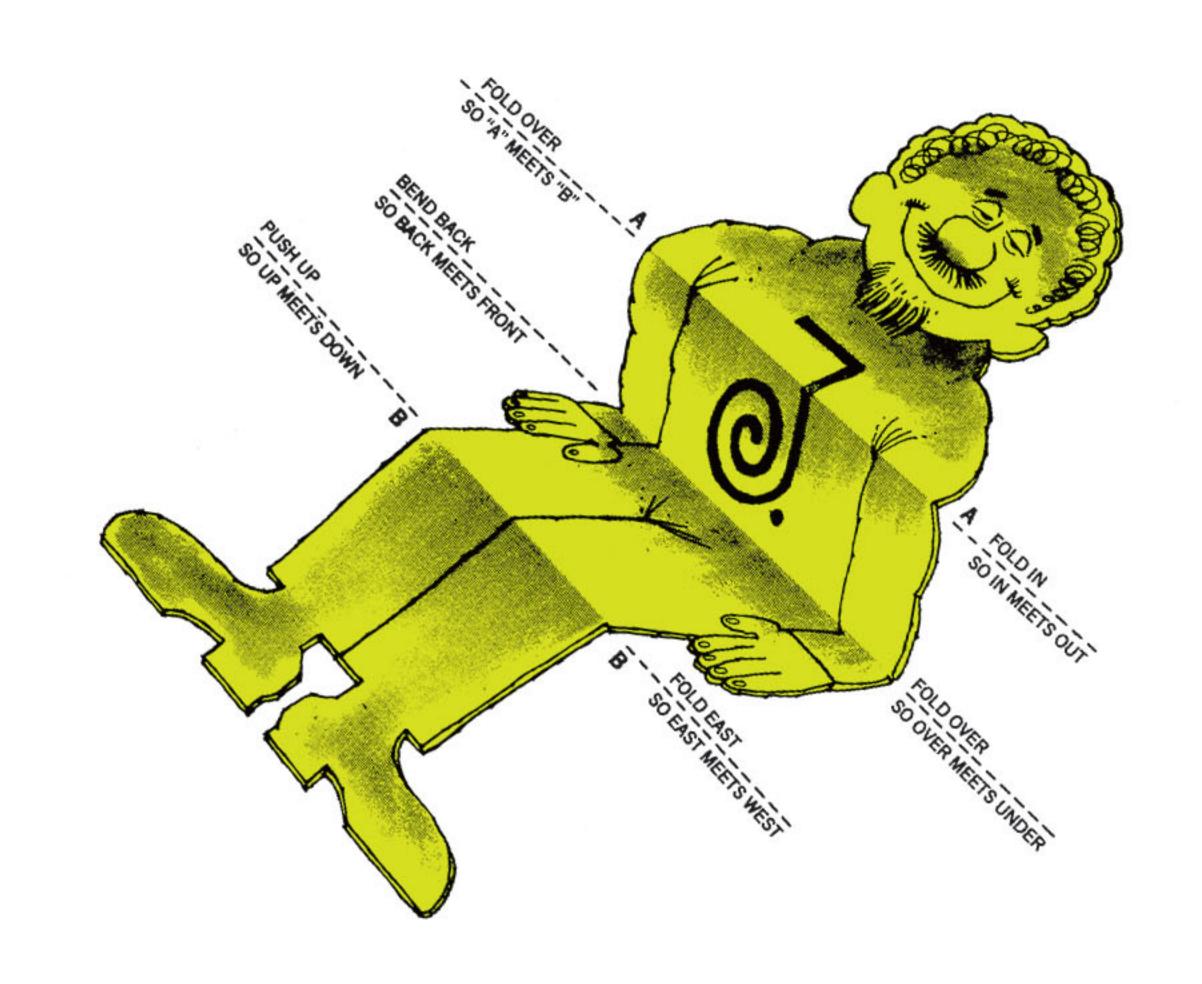
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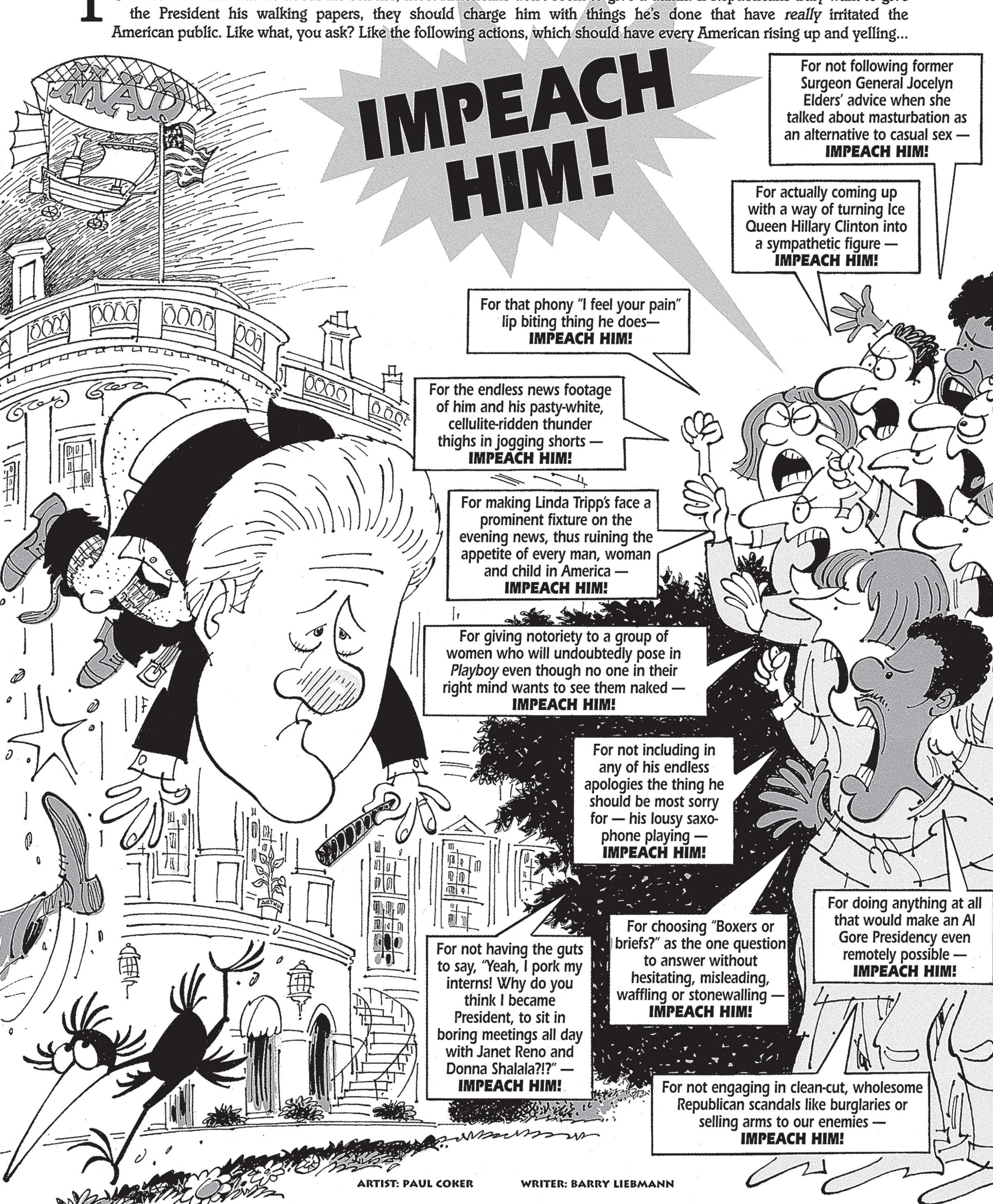


Prepare for the fight of 2020 with this still-timely fold-in from 1968!





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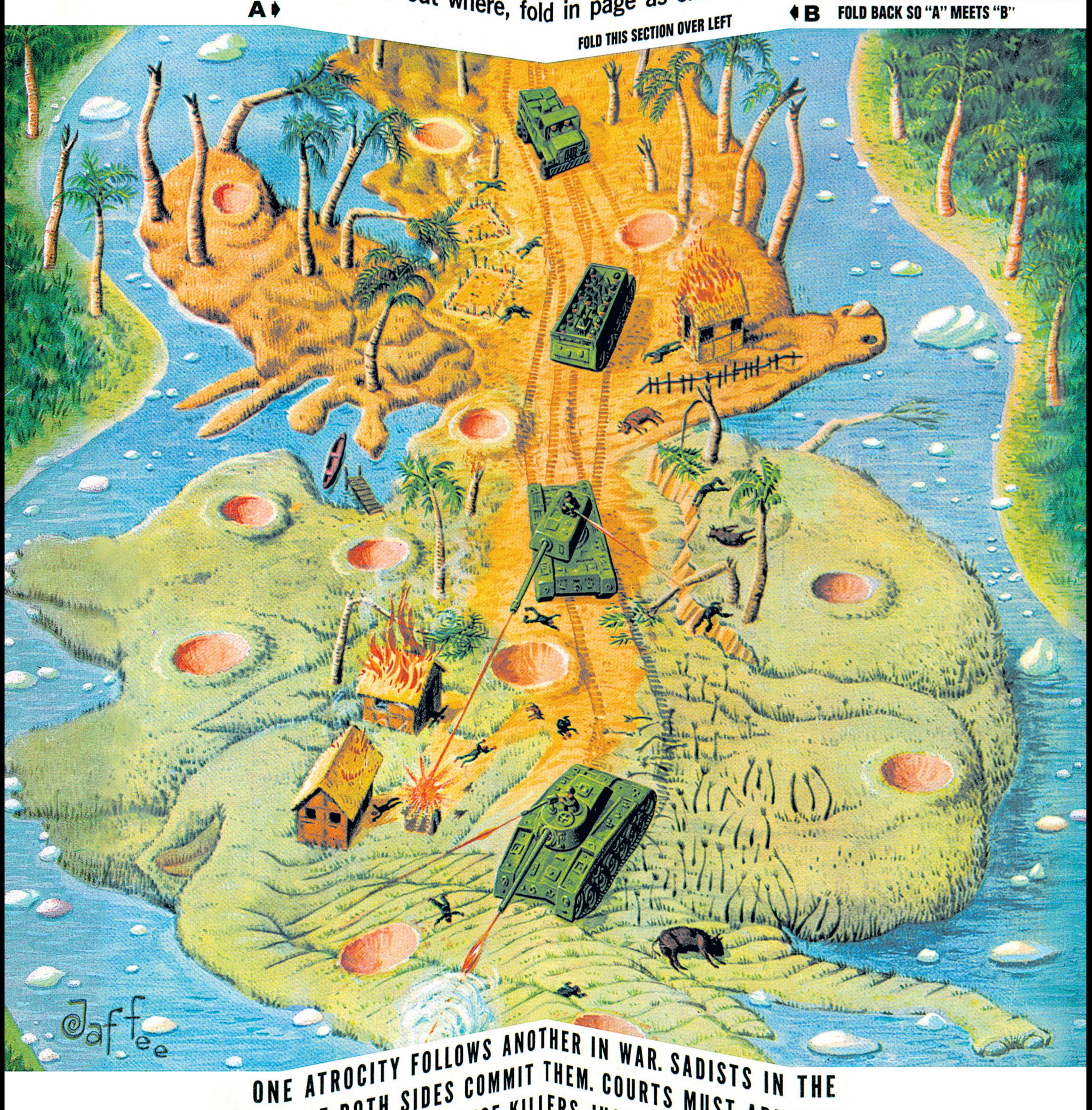
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